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## Stay safe in the sun

As soon as the warm weather arrives we all want to go out and enjoy it – and why shouldn't we? We all spend far too much time in air conditioned offices gazing wistfully out of the window.

But whether we are enjoying some sun in the Med or in our back garden we still need to protect ourselves.

Skin cancer is one of the most common cancers in the UK. Right now, around 1,700 people are being treated for malignant melanoma and other skin cancers in the eastern and coastal Kent region.

Most skin cancers are caused by damage from sunburn and could easily be prevented.

1. Apply sunblocks or sunscreens with high sun protection factors (at least factor 15).
2. Take extra care with children – use factor 30 plus. For babies use factor 50 plus.
3. Apply generously and reapply frequently, especially after activities such as swimming or towelling.
4. Wear a wide-brimmed hat to reduce exposure to the face, eyes, head and neck.
5. Limit the amount of time you spend in the sun, particularly between 11am and 3pm.



6. Cover skin with clothing giving good protection – examples are longsleeved shirts and loose clothing with a close weave.
7. Seek shade, but remember sunburn can occur even when in partial shade or when cloudy.
8. Wear wrap-around sunglasses.
9. Remember certain prescribed drugs, medicines, foods, cosmetics and plant materials can also make people more sensitive to sunlight.

## Coping with sunburn

Sunburn is when your skin overheats and becomes red and painful and may later peel or blister.

If you get sunburn:

- Cool the skin down by dabbing it with a cool, wet towel or tissue.
- If really bad, take a quick cold shower.
- Don't go back into the sun until you've healed.
- Drink plenty of fluids to replace the water lost through sweating and to cool down.
- Apply calamine or after-sun lotion.
- For adults, painkillers such as paracetamol or ibuprofen can help relieve pain and reduce swelling.

## Be prepared for a heatwave

IT'S not just the sun that can be our foe as well as our friend. Continued humidity, especially during a heatwave, can be dangerous too.

The heat can affect anyone, but some people run a greater risk of serious harm, especially the very young, older people and those with serious illnesses.

It can make heart and respiratory problems worse and in extreme cases can lead to heat stroke, which can be fatal.

To stay safe:

10. Keep an eye on children, vulnerable friends and neighbours.
11. Keep plenty of water to hand and stay in the shade where possible.
12. Shut and shade windows when it is hotter outside and open them for ventilation when cooler.
13. Avoid doing things that need lots of effort like sport, DIY or gardening.
14. People with serious health problems (for example heart conditions), should avoid going out in the heat, especially between 11am and 3pm.





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## STAFF PICKS UP HIS MBE

OLYMPIC gold medal winner Jamie Staff picked up his MBE at Buckingham Palace last week. The cycling star won his medal as a member of the British sprint team in the 2008 Beijing Games.

Mr Staff grew up in Brabourne Lees and went to school at the North School. He was originally a world champion in BMX riding before he turned to the track.

■ BY ED HILL

TURNING St Mary's Church into an arts centre is a "cop out" and a "cheap alternative" to providing a proper theatre for Ashford according to campaigners.

Both believers and non-believers alike have criticised the plans, with one side worried about religious censorship of events and the other concerned about the scheme's effect on the church and its congregation.

Jack Cowan, who has campaigned for the town to have its own independent theatre, said: "It is a cop out in my opinion. It's a step forward, but not a giant leap. It will still feel like a church and there will always be that atmosphere. The function of a church is worship.

"The church will have editorial rights over what can and can't be performed there so anything that might be a bit close to the bone or anti religion or Church of England will get vetted, so it's not really a free theatre."

The desire for a theatre has been expressed by many Ashford residents, especially as the town's population increases.

Peter Davison, leader of the Independent group of the council, said: "This does not meet the needs of a growing Ashford. It is a convenient and cheap alternative.

"With all the money that comes in from government for the building it should have been possible to have built something that could be combined with other sorts of earning power.

"There is a huge wealth of talent in the borough both artistic and for performance that deserves its own space."

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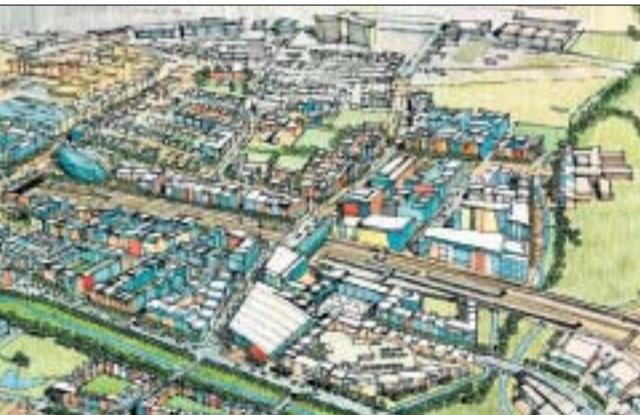
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**GRAND DESIGNS:** Plans for the new commercial quarter include office space, shops and flats

## New commercial quarter is vital to town's expansion

■ BY ED HILL

PLANS for a massive commercial area near the station were unveiled last week.

The business district covers 16 acres and the designs include 590,000 sq ft of offices and 26,000 sq ft of shops and leisure outlets, as well as 150 flats.

Developers say the commercial quarter is designed to capitalise on the town's improved transport links, especially the new high-speed commuter service.

Judith Armitt, managing director of Ashford's Future, said expanding the town centre was vital to support the forecasted growth of Ashford over the next couple of decades.

### High-tech

The commercial quarter is one of six areas that were outlined for new development as part of the Town Centre Area Action Plan in April.

It will be built on land currently occupied by businesses next to the Stour River and the all-day station car parks off Elwick Road.

The Town Centre Area Action Plan will soon be put forward to the Secretary of State for approval.

The commercial quarter is seen as a key way to attract more of the high-tech jobs the area needs.

It is hoped Ashford can attract businesses from the north of England and Europe.

Jo James, from Invicta Chamber of Commerce, said: "It will attract the kind of people we want to come to Ashford. It could not be better placed to have the commercial quarter where it is so close to the station.

She said: "Even though we are in difficult times things have not ground to a halt there is still movement and businesses are still looking at relocating.

"I think we have the right product at the right time, but the quality has to be good if we want to attract quality businesses into the area."

Preparation for the commercial quarter site is expected to be completed by October.

Ashford's Future and South East England Development Agency will then begin discussions with potential development partners in the private sector.

Mrs James said: "The more we get proposals like this the more it puts Ashford on the map. We have a really good window of opportunity and we need to show potential investors plans like this to raise our profile."

**Campaign to save the interior from changes**



**NEW LOOK:** An artist's impression of church

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There are also concerns the move will undermine the church's role as a place of worship.

A campaign has even been launched to save the building, particularly its interior, from some of the alterations that will be needed to make it into a performance space.

Cllr Davison said: "There is a strong body of people who want to retain the pews. Once they have gone they will be gone forever. A church interior evolves; its pews were made by local people out of local wood."

However, Reverend Colin Preece who runs the church, has defended the plans saying many people support the change and it will be a way to help maintain the building and increase its role community.

And according to Cllr Gerry Clarkson, portfolio holder for cultural services, all the historic pews are in the gallery and will not be affected by the alterations.

Mr Cowan said: "There are other venues that could be used, for example the Centrepiece Church in Bank Street which has just gone up for sale.

"I tried persuading the council and other groups last year to take it on, but no one wanted to commit to it.

"The whole thing could be converted and it is in a ideal location, but it was a missed opportunity."

## Conversion of police centre will create jobs

THE former police training centre at Grosvenor Hall in Kennington will be converted into an activity centre for schoolchildren.

There had been concerns from local residents the site would be sold off for housing. The site will be run by Kingswood, a private company who specialise in providing activity courses for schools and other groups.

The company says the centre at the 50-acre site will create 150 jobs for 18 to 24 year olds working as instructors.

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# Lorry parks 'answer to foreign truck problem'

■ BY ED HILL

THE council has admitted that double yellow lines will not solve the problem of foreign lorries clogging roads in Orbital Park.

Since the lines were painted the numbers of lorries parking on the roads has not significantly reduced, with as many as 60 trucks parking in the area at weekends, according to residents.

And they say it's not just about truckers flouting British regulations, there is a major safety worry as well.

Cllr Michael Claughton (pictured right) portfolio holder for parking, said: "It is unrealistic to assume our new parking control measures alone will solve the problem.

"Some foreign lorry drivers will continue to flout parking restrictions safe in the knowledge that our laws are unenforceable on the continent. It will take changes in national legislation to solve this."

"The new parking controls have not been put into place just in a response to problems of overnight lorry parking. Orbital Park is a very busy development with two main roads leading to South



TRUCKERS: Orbital Park remains a lorry park despite new double yellow lines

Willesborough and Newtown."

The council argues that the measures are also designed to tackle cars visiting Ashford Market. The council admits there is little action they can take against foreign lorry drivers.

Businesses at the park say that the blockages make it difficult for customers to park.

Sandra Richie, deputy manager of the French Connection Brewers Fayre restaurant and pub, said: "People complain about being stuck in the car park or not being able to get in."

"If you go up to the drivers they just hurl abuse at you and say that it is against the law for them to

move because they have driven their quota of hours."

The council says it has agreed with a European bailiff to try and recover unpaid parking fines but the arrangement will cover only some European countries.

Ashford council say the problem can only be tackled by a network of lorry parks around the country.

Cllr Claughton said: "This is not something a local or even a county council can fund as the cost of a lorry park would run in to many millions.

"It is inappropriate to expect local council tax payers to fund what is a national problem and we look to the county council and cen-



tral government to seek solutions."

Sara Davidson lives 400 yards away in South Willesborough and believes no one is taking responsibility.

She said: "If these lorries pitched up around Ashford ringroad, something would be done."

"It is not just about illegal parking, the lorries make the road dangerous and the truckers dump their waste by our roadside.

"The police should be asked to enforce the law properly.

*See the lorries' terrible parking go to [Yourkenttv.co.uk](http://Yourkenttv.co.uk), search 'Orbital'*

## Witness appeal after fatal crash

POLICE have made a renewed appeal concerning a fatal road accident on the A2070.

The crash involved a Yamaha R6 motorcycle which was being ridden by 28-year-old Martin Broomfield.

His bike collided with a Peugeot 106 approaching the slip road towards Hamstreet on the Badmuntstereif Road at 5.40pm on Sunday, June 21.

The driver of the Peugeot was not injured.

The police Serious Crash Investigation Unit say they particularly want to speak to the occupants of a Ford Transit van that was in the area at the time.

It is believed they may have driven through the scene of the collision prior to police arrival and may have witnessed part of the collision.

Witnesses are asked to contact the Serious Crash Investigation Unit on 01622 798538.

## Hospital search in murder inquiry

THE William Harvey Hospital had to be searched last week in connection with a murder enquiry in Dover.

A 31-year-old man was pronounced dead at the hospital when he arrived by ambulance. A man who had been with him left the scene before police could question him so police carried out the search of the hospital and the surrounding area.

The man later walked into Dover police station to help with enquiries, but he was not arrested.

The man who died had been found collapsed in Clarendon Street, Dover, at about 3pm on July 15. A 22-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of murder later that day.

## Excitement grows for Create date

SOME of the acts booked for this year's Create Festival have been talking about their excitement at appearing at the event.

Singer-songwriter Nick Harrison, who has recently signed to A&M records, is looking forward to playing the main stage, especially as his father lives locally.

He said: "I can't wait to come back down to Ashford. I hope a lot of people will come down to the set and bring a lot of good vibes with them."

The free festival will be held at Victoria Park on July 26.

Oliver Perrott-Webb from the band Modern Beach said: "We encourage all to flood to this event of much importance to local musicians and the local community."

The main stage will also see performances from Hold Fire, Black Market Karma, Kingskin, Robert Harris, The Flack, Phantom Lacuna, Stone Thrower and headliners Counterfeit Quo.

There will also be the Right Track Music School Stage for up-and-coming Ashford bands and the DJ stage, run by Sideways Recordings.

For more information on the festival visit [www.createfestival.co.uk](http://www.createfestival.co.uk)

## Boy, 13, abused on fishing trips in 70s

A SEX offender who preyed on his victim whilst fishing has been sentenced to three years in jail.

Peter Willis, 58, of Gregory Court, Churchfield Way, Wye first met the 13-year-old boy he abused back in the late 70s.

The two were fishing along the canal and waterways near Bonnington, where Mr Willis carried out a series of sexual assaults up until 1981.

It was not until 26 years later that the abuse was reported to police in October 2007.

The police then issued an e-fit picture of the man and thanks to responses from members of the public, Mr Willis was arrested and charged with four counts of sexual assault on a child under 14 years old.

Mr Willis was finally sentenced for the crimes last week.

Acting Detective Inspector Mark Buck, who led the investigation, said: "This has been a successful investigation. This man is a dangerous individual and he continues to pose a serious risk to children."

"He preyed on his victim whilst fishing in the late 1970s and early 1980s. I would like to thank members of the public who recognised the



SENTENCED: Angler Peter Willis

e-fit of Willis we released to the press and contacted us with his name."

A police spokesman said: "The victim was able to give us a very detailed description of the man which led to an excellent e-fit from which he was recognised."

"It is not unusual for these historical cases to arise. It is often not until people are adults that they feel empowered enough to tackle their abusers."

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## Fifty years showing sheep and counting

AT Nash Court, Westwell, George Horne runs the oldest registered flock of the famous Romney sheep.

An acknowledged expert, he received a special presentation to mark his half century of showing and he also celebrated winning the breed championship in the main livestock parade ring with his daughters Catherine and Louise.

The supreme championship again returned to Lewes with another magnificent Southdown from the flock of Sarah Harmer with a Charrolais from Gloucester as reserve.

But Kent exhibitors did well with Joe Phillips from Petham, Canterbury, having the champion Romney ram, Viv Miles from Benenden the champion British Down with David Masters from Goudhurst reserve, Mr and Mrs Ed Lovejoy from Woodchurch the best Poll Dorset, Gail Shrubsall from Otterden, Faversham, the best other pure bred with her Welsh Badger Face Torwen, and Louise Brown from Ramsgate the champion Jacob.

## Cattle champion milks the applause

THE supreme cattle championship again left the county with the dairy champion Jersey from Norfolk catching the judges eye and pipping the beef champion, a giant Simmental from East Sussex, for top prize.

But both were run close in the final decision, with a British Blue from Andrew Price of Maidstone reserve beef champion and a Holstein from the Benenden herd of John Reynolds the dairy reserve.

In the British Blondes section all the awards were collected by Egerton-based Hilary Jones and Ben Garrett.

May Henderson from Throwley was again among the winners from her Dexter herd, with Di Smith from Alkham, Dover, adding to her collection of reserve rosettes.

John Reynolds took the silverware in the Holstein classes beating veteran Folkestone exhibitor Jim Warnock into second spot.

Champion Jersey went to Sonny Warren of Guston, near Dover, with the Etteridge family from Norfolk in reserve spot and it was something of a shock when the supreme champion judge selected the latter as his overall winner.

## Winner's pig effort

PAULINE Banks from Sevenoaks took the pig championship with her large white crosses but had to settle for reserve spot beaten by a Berkshire from Charles Bull from Peasmash in the open classes.

The 80th Kent County Show over the weekend was as spectacular as ever and the message from Detling was loud and clear – forget the rumours, we will be back...

■ BY MIKE BENNETT

THE sights, sounds and smells of the traditional Kent County Agricultural Show will survive and thrive despite fears it could be threatened with closure.

That was the strong message from show chairman George Jessel on Sunday after three fantastic days at Detling when he stressed that despite the economic recession, expansion of ploughing matches, game and country shows, and the threat of a major new event at Folkestone racecourse next summer, they will continue.

He said: "Forget the rumours. We will be back and the dates are fixed from July 16 to 18, 2010. The Royal Show may have been the last, but we will continue".

He accepts that after a £160,000 loss last year the organisers were forced to prune budgets. But they still managed to showcase Kent and all that it has to offer in the biggest three-day event of the year.

"The focus is always on agriculture with the animals and associated country crafts and displays.

"But we aim to provide a great family day out with something for all. Flower and food tents plus arcades of shopping for the ladies, veteran and vintage vehicles for the men, rides and attractions for children, and arena and equestrian events for all."

### Improved

"To say that farmers no longer support the show is nonsense. Sheep and goat entries were well up and 55 per cent of the county's farmers were here actively involved in the show as exhibitors or stewards.

"We had 70 new Kent business exhibitors this year and many did good trade and have already booked to return next summer. We have improved the traffic problems and we will do more for the future."

As a deputy to Lord Lieutenant of Kent and a farmer he is passionate about the county and in his role as head of the premier agricultural showcase was delighted with the support of farmers and growers from across the Garden of England to provide a shop window for their skills to 90,000 plus visitors.

None did more to confirm the determination to plan for the future than the magnificent efforts of young farmers in an expanded area.

With a team of more than 400 from schools and open clubs across the county they represented the largest gathering of young people

# The show will go on



DAY AT THE RACES: Competitors gathered from far and wide at the county's annual agricultural extravaganza

showing cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry and rabbits in Europe.

That fact was noted by royal guests the Earl and Countess of Wessex who requested they be given a tour of the area during their visit on Friday.

They met many of the youngsters as they were escorted by show chairman Eve Hart and county Young Farmers Club chairman Stuart Jackman.

Miss Hart said: "It was an honour for us all and they were impressed by the efforts of all

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**SHOWCASE:** Display of vintage farming machinery was a timely reminder of the county's rich rural heritage

the young people of Kent".

That praise continued at the prize giving on Sunday afternoon when Mr Jessel told them they all played an important role in the future of rural industry.

He said: "The royalty were really chuffed that you were all so brilliant and on behalf of Kent County Agricultural Society I thank you all for participating."

Judges had faced tough tasks as the clubs produced top-quality stock in the rings.

The coveted trophy for most points over the three days of competition went again to Homewood School, Tenterden, but this year by a single point ahead of Westlands School with Angley at Cranbrook in third.

Homewood also took special awards for the champion turnout lamb, the champion pen of lambs, reserve champion pen of pigs, reserve champion rabbit and four trophies for their calves.

Westlands had the champion poultry, champion pure bred and cross bred beef calves, the champion dairy calf and won the prize for the best presented club.

Almost every team won something as the honours were spread across the county with the under threat Ashford North school farm producing the champion turn-out lamb and collecting the cup for the best club display, Brockhill, Hythe, picked up an armful of trophies, and Ashford Young Farmers showed both the supreme turnout champion and the champion turn-out lamb.

They were all the finest examples of farmyard stock but over in the countryside area there were more exotic creatures like reindeer and wallaby being shown by the Fagg family from Betherston, surrounded by dancing sheep, working gun dogs, hawking demonstrations and ferret and terrier racing.

## Pavilion packed out for 80th anniversary

TO celebrate 80 years of the show the Kent pavilion was packed with a colourful and diverse display of history remembering the past eight decades.

Farming World from Faversham illustrated progress through the years and the Friends of the Museum of Kent Life from Maidstone highlighted old domestic items with their modern day equivalent.

West Kent WIs displayed changes in home economics plus cooking and flower demonstrations, and the Kent Guild of Spinners and Weavers impressed with their craft.

Brook Agricultural Museum showed a vintage plough, five bushel hop baskets, a cultivator and chaff-cutter from their collection, and the National Fruit Collection at Brogdale concentrated on the history of cherries.

## Hadlow shows off its award-winning flora

FRESH from winning the gold medal and best sustainable garden awards at the Hampton Court Palace Flower Show, Hadlow College were again among the honourees at the Kent show.

They took the gold award for best outdoor garden design and the gold for sweet pea exhibits.

Their main display took the Geerings award for the best agricultural stand for the second year running, and they also supported the NFU and Kent Agricultural Society in the Why Farming Matters area, as well as competing in the livestock and equine classes.

Spokesman Pat Crawford said: "Hadlow is one of the UK's top three land-based colleges providing the skills, training and knowledge for those planning a career in one of the most important industries in Kent".

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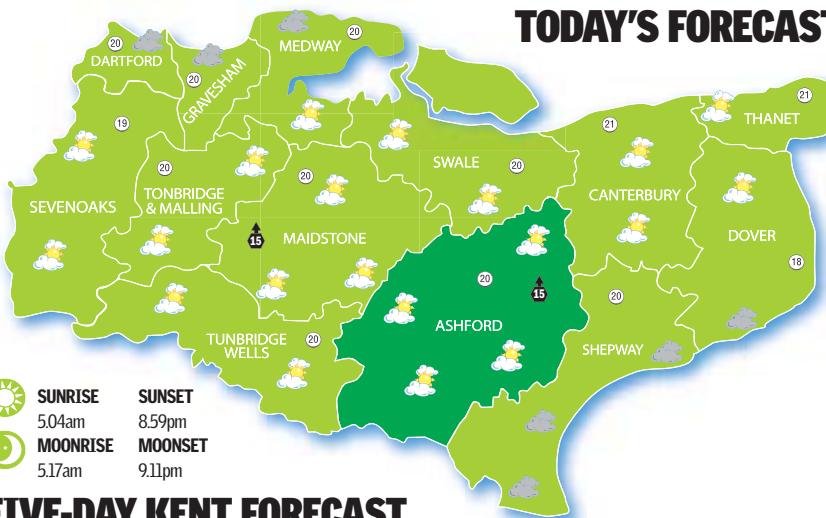
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	Sunday	4:40pm	6.3m
<b>Dover</b>	Saturday	2:21pm	7.0m
	Sunday	3:02pm	6.8m
<b>Dungeness</b>	Saturday	2:12pm	8.0m
	Sunday	2:54pm	7.8m
<b>Ramsgate</b>	Saturday	2:51pm	5.3m
	Sunday	3:32pm	5.2m
<b>Sheerness</b>	Saturday	3:48pm	6.0m
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<b>Whitstable</b>	Saturday	3:55pm	5.5m
	Sunday	4:36pm	5.5m

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Canterbury	24°C	21°C	21°C	21°C	21°C	Maidstone	23°C	21°C	20°C	21°C
Chatham	22°C	20°C	19°C	20°C	20°C	Ramsgate	24°C	21°C	21°C	21°C
Dartford	22°C	21°C	20°C	21°C	21°C	Rochester	22°C	20°C	19°C	20°C
Dover	21°C	19°C	19°C	19°C	20°C	Sevenoaks	21°C	19°C	18°C	20°C
Faversham	22°C	20°C	19°C	20°C	20°C	Sittingbourne	22°C	20°C	19°C	20°C
Folkestone	21°C	19°C	19°C	19°C	20°C	Tonbridge	23°C	20°C	19°C	20°C
Gillingham	22°C	20°C	19°C	20°C	20°C	Tun Wells	23°C	20°C	19°C	20°C



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Bombay	27°C	Sydney	20°C
Cape Town	25°C	Tenerife	27°C
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Thurs 30th	Boulogne	£23.00
Fri 31st	Chessington World Of Adventures, Zoo & Sealife Centre	£35.00

### August

		Adult
Mon 3rd	Afternoon Cite Europe	£13.00
Tue 4th	Eagle Heights Wildlife Park	£17.50
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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### DAVID MADDISON



## Q & A

Reporter Ed Hill talks to the manager of Ashford Designer Outlet about his role there, how the recession is affecting traders at the centre, and his marathon training, which takes up much of his spare time

**Q** How did you get the position of manager at Ashford Designer Outlet?

**A** I got the job after being approached by McArthurGlen through my association with brand partners such as Next and Nike.

I've been in the retail industry for many years and have worked with major brands, setting up new stores in high streets, shopping centres and outlets. Now I've swapped sides of the fence and am using my knowledge to ensure that our retailers have a positive experience dealing with the outlet.

**Q** What is the history of the Designer Outlet?

**A** The outlet was opened nine years ago and is the UK's closest outlet to London. The centre was designed by Sir Richard Rogers, famous for designing the Millennium Dome.

It has continued to grow and now has 80 stores offering designer and high street brands including Ted Baker, Kurt Geiger and Lacoste. The centre is constantly evolving with the arrival of new and exciting brands.

Most recent arrivals include popular US footwear company Skechers and outdoor wear and sailing specialist brand Musto.

**Q** What would you say to someone who has never been to the Designer Outlet before?

**A** The outlet offers new customers excellent value for money with 80 brands giving up to 60 per cent discounts on high street prices. Our mix of stores offers a wide range of products – from the very latest women's, men's and

children's fashions, to homeware, jewellery and beauty – so there's something for everyone.

We also have our recently refurbished food-court and cafes for customers to relax and enjoy a bite to eat. And for young shoppers there is a safety-approved children's play area.

**Q** You put on charitable events at the centre – what is the reasoning behind this?

**A** We're a community shopping centre so it's really important that we give something back to the local community and support causes in the area. We pride ourselves on our relationship with our chosen charity, Demelza House Children's Hospice. We were also recently involved in the Midnight Walk in association with Pilgrims Hospice supporting them in their aim to raise over £100k.

**Q** How do you think the development of Ashford will affect your business and the town?

**A** The development of Ashford combined with the 37-minute rail link to London make Ashford one of the best placed towns for sustainable growth, and a more accessible shopping destination for people in the south of England. I believe these developments will see a long-term growth in sales at the centre.

**Q** Times are tough in the retail sector at the moment. How is it affecting you?

**A** The outlet is bucking the trend during the credit crunch, with trading remaining strong at 5.8 per cent up over last year. That's because the tough retail climate offers Ashford

Designer Outlet a unique opportunity to bring new consumers to the centre – consumers who are looking for great brands at big discounts. We are seeing strong increases in transaction values with many of our key brands trading up over 10 per cent on last year.

**Q** Do you enjoy the job?

**A** Totally, having spent over 25 years working for some of the best brands in the world including at all levels from store manager through to retail director. Being the centre manager at Ashford Designer Outlet offers me a unique opportunity to use this experience with around 80 fantastic brands.

**Q** If you had not gone into retail is there any other field you would have liked to work in?

**A** If I had not worked in retail I would have loved to have been a sports teacher, having run at national level and played football at county level. Other careers I considered include the Royal Navy. My father served and my oldest son Tom is about to join as an Aircraft Technician so perhaps the Royal Navy is in the blood.

**Q** How do you spend your spare time?

**A** I spend my spare time training for either marathons or half marathons. This year I set a new personal best in the London marathon as well as raising almost £4k for Demelza hospice. I also enjoy golf, playing in local competitions.

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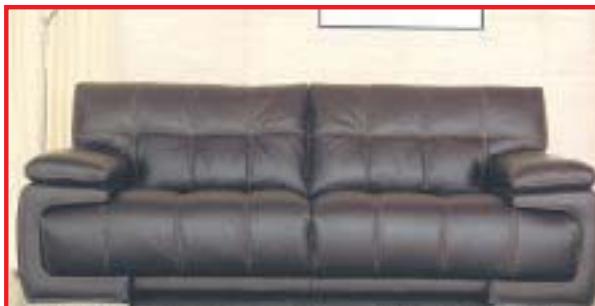
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# We miss you, Marie, but this one's for you

■ BY EMILY HALL

A WOMAN lost her 22-year battle with cancer just two days before she was due to run the Race for Life.

Tragic Marie Twyman died on July 10, aged just 29, yet her friends still managed to don 1980s gear and run the event in her honour.

Marie was initially diagnosed with cancer at the age of seven and had an operation to remove a tumour from her shoulder.

But after going to Portugal to work as a holiday rep in her early 20s she began suffering blinding headaches and had to return home.

She was diagnosed with a brain tumour and breast cancer and for the past five years had been undergoing constant treatment.

Her best friend, Clare Cockell, 27, who is manager of The Reef spa and salon in Gabriels Hill, Maidstone, said: "Marie and I went to college in Canterbury together.

"She was fine up until she became a holiday rep, when she started getting headaches and had to come home. She found out she had a brain tumour in 2004 and had to have three operations.

"She also got breast cancer, which they couldn't treat until they had finished treating the brain tumour. It was hard for her. Her mum had cancer, too, and didn't die that long ago.

"The doctors told her they couldn't get all of it, but she remained positive.

"She had the last operation in March this year, and we had planned to do the Race for Life in Herne Bay, but four weeks ago she couldn't use her left side.

"I saw her two or three weeks ago and when



**WE DID IT:** Reef manager Clare Cockell (centre) was joined by her mum Annette and co-worker Jemma Haywood (left)

she got out of bed she fell over and was slurring. Even then she was still happy, but it became obvious she wasn't going to be able to run the race. Marie had always done the Race for Life with her mum and I have done it with her for the last three years. She loved it and couldn't stop talking about this year's race.

"She was saying she'd do it even if we had to push her round, but she never got the chance."

Single Marie died at the Pilgrims Hospice in her home city of Canterbury. Her friends – including Clare, her mum Annette, 50, and fellow Reef worker Jemma Haywood, 23 – ran the

race and raised more than £1,000 for Cancer Research UK. Clare said: "The donations and support have been truly amazing. When I first set up our fundraising page I set the target at £1,000 and I remember Marie saying, 'You've set a really high target', so I changed it to £500.

"I am so pleased we have now reached that high target for her. She deserves it as she was such an inspiration.

"She always had a smile on her face, no matter what. She will be hugely missed."

Visit [www.raceforlifesponsorme.org/thereef](http://www.raceforlifesponsorme.org/thereef) to add your donation.

## Force backs recruitment of gypsies to end mistrust

GYPSIES and travellers are being recruited by Kent Police to ensure the force represents the community it serves.

Officers believe that by giving jobs to people from the minority group they will be able to smooth what is often a rocky relationship between the two sides.

However, some are concerned tick-box targets could lower standards if vacancies are given to gypsies and travellers rather than the best candidates.

Earlier this year a report by the Association of Police Authorities (APA) suggested forces should seek to recruit from under-represented groups.

Assistant Chief Constable of Kent Police Allyn Thomas said: "We seek to recruit as widely as possible and welcome applicants from all ethnic backgrounds.

### Legitimacy

"We have a gypsy and traveller action group which advises us. Recruiting officers from a variety of ethnic groups enhances the legitimacy of policing in the eyes of those communities."

The initiative has been backed by campaigners for travellers' equality, including the Canterbury Gypsy Support Group.

Vice-chairman Joe Jones said it was important his people were given the same career opportunities, but didn't think there would be a rush to sign up.

He said: "Gypsies and travellers are far from being policed in the real sense. The only time we meet is when our camps are raided or we are being made to move on.

"We are the most misunderstood group of people in the British Isles and nobody really cares about us, but by the police looking to recruit us it shows that we have finally arrived in society."

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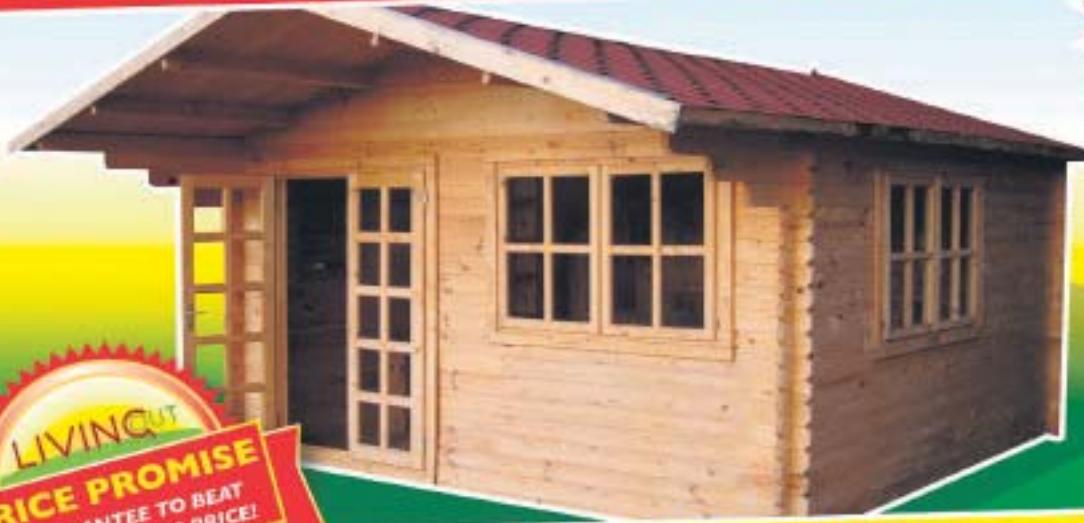


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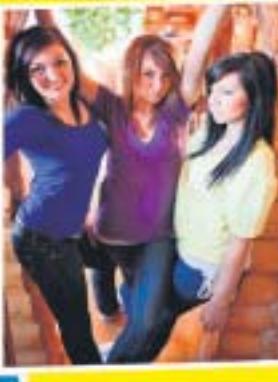
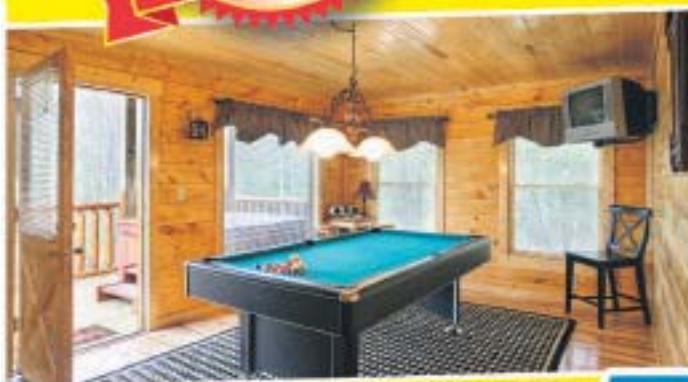
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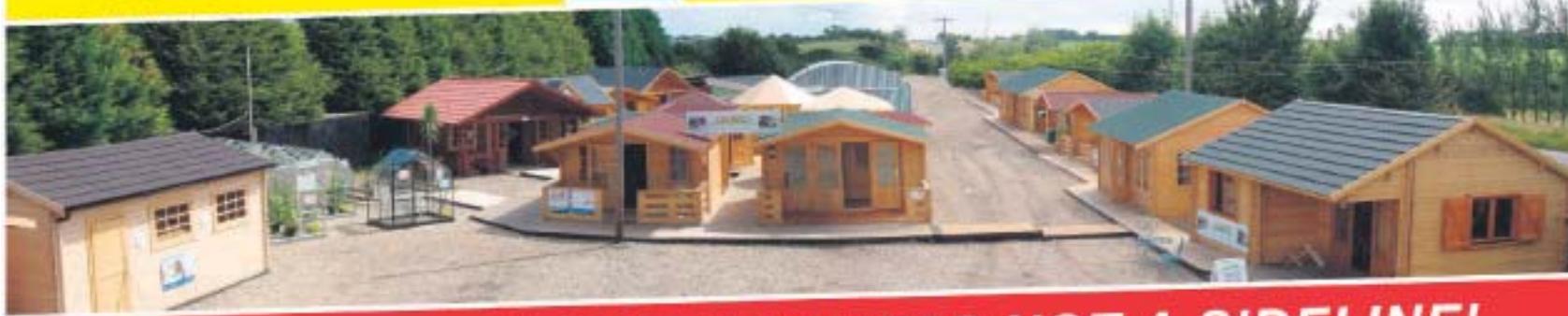
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# Recycling: let's get together

■ BY JENNA PUDELEK

CALLS are growing for a universal kerbside recycling scheme to be provided across the county.

At the moment provision is patchy, with each of the 12 district and borough councils and Medway's unitary authority offering a different service.

Kent County Council has said that current provision "could be better" and is asking residents for their views about a countywide doorstep recycling scheme.

Steve Dawe, spokesman for the Green Party in Kent, said: "It remains a major problem to get councils to collect glass and plastics. They talk about it not being economical, but if it was done on a larger scale it would justify the cost.

"Sharing between councils would not only increase the percentage of recycling to a higher level for households and businesses, there would also be more jobs in these areas. If every local council did the same, then it would generate 50,000 more jobs across the county."

## Dumped

Rubbish that is not recycled is dumped in landfill sites, except in Ashford, Maidstone, Sevenoaks, Swale, Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells, where it is taken to the Energy From Waste Plant at Allington. There it is burnt to produce power for the national grid.

We asked each local authority in the county responsible for kerbside recycling collections to provide details about its services. Most collect a good variety of paper and cardboard waste from householders' doorsteps.

However, Ashford council does not take shredded paper, envelopes with windows and coloured shiny leaflets because they can't be turned into newsprint when they are taken to Aylesford Newsprint, near Maidstone.

Ashford residents also do not get their plastics picked up at the kerbside due to expense, although the council does collect glass.

Several councils provide 'co-mingled' schemes where all recyclables are put in



**WORKING TOGETHER:** The Green Party is calling for councils to work together to make recycling more economical in an effort to reduce landfill waste

the same bin or bag. Residents do not have to sort their recycling, but critics of the scheme say more energy is used than in pre-sorted schemes because of the machines used to separate the waste.

There are also concerns that paper collected in the same container as plastic bottles and metal cans is contaminated by food and liquid waste – making it unusable for recycling.

A Sevenoaks council spokesman said in some areas participation in the recycling scheme was as high as 93-100 per cent.

"Some 24 tonnes of recycling sacks from the council were recently audited to determine the breakdown of materials in them," he said.

"The audit found that less than half of one per cent (0.375 per cent) of the contents were materials that could not be recycled."

Dover council provides a 'sorted' scheme with different boxes for different waste.

A spokesman said: "Collecting paper and cardboard separate from plastics, glass and cans enables the collection of clean paper and cardboard that can be sold easily."

Most of the councils have decided recycling more plastics other than bottles was commercially unviable, and most charge for the collection of garden waste.

Tunbridge Wells council launched a kerbside service to collect plastic bottles on July 3.

A spokeswoman said: "Plastic bottles are a good clean material more readily marketed in the UK for recycling. If we collect mixed plastics

## KERBSIDE SCHEMES AROUND KENT

### ASHFORD BOROUGH

- Recycles: Telephone directories, newspapers, magazines, glass containers, cans, empty aerosol cans
- Doesn't recycle: Shredded paper, windowed envelopes, junk mail, cardboard, plastics and containers, tin foil, window glass, compostable waste
- Type: Co-mingled (fortnightly)
- Contractor: In-house

### CANTERBURY CITY

- Recycles: Paper, packaging boxes, ready meals sleeves, occasion cards, flattened cardboard boxes, plastic bottles, cans, empty aerosols, food tins, foil
- Doesn't recycle: Glass, all other types of plastics, compostable waste
- Type: Co-mingled (fortnightly)
- Contractor: SITA

### DARTFORD BOROUGH

- Recycles: Paper, card, cans, plastic bottles, mixed glass (bottles and jars)
- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, compostable waste
- Type: Co-mingled and separate box for glass (fortnightly)
- Contractor: Enterprise MRS Ltd

### DOVER DISTRICT

- Recycles: Paper and cardboard, plastic bottles, tin cans, glass bottles and jars, garden waste
- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, food waste
- Type: Sorted (fortnightly)
- Contractor: SITA

### GRAVESEND BOROUGH

- Recycles: Paper, card, cans and plastic bottles

- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, garden waste and recyclable white goods (fridges etc)
- Type: Co-mingled (weekly). Garden waste in wheelie bin £41 annually or 12 sacks for £5.50 (fortnightly). White goods approx £11.50 per appliance
- Contractor: In-house

### SHEPWAY DISTRICT

- Recycles: Paper and card, plastic bottles, glass, tins and cans

- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, glass, compostable waste
- Type: Separated (fortnightly)
- Contractor: Veolia

### MAIDSTONE BOROUGH

- Recycles: Paper, card, tins, cans, plastics (bottles, margarine tubs, yoghurt pots, ice-cream tubs), garden waste
- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, glass, food waste
- Type: Co-mingled and separate bin for garden waste (fortnightly)
- Contractor: SITA

### MEDWAY:

- Recycles: Paper, card, glass bottles and jars, carrier bags, metal food/drink cans, envelopes, foil, plastic bottles, empty aerosols
- Doesn't recycle: All other types of plastics, cartons, tetrapacks, polystyrene, compostable waste
- Type: Co-mingled (fortnightly)
- Contractor: Veolia

### SEVENOAKS DISTRICT:

- Recycles: Cans, metal jar lids, tins, foil, all aluminium packaging, all paper, all cardboard, all plastic bottles and thin carrier bags. Garden waste and recyclable white goods (fridges etc)
- Doesn't recycle: Other types of plastics, glass, food waste
- Type: Co-mingled (weekly). Garden waste in wheelie bin £41 annually or 12 sacks for £5.50 (fortnightly). White goods approx £11.50 per appliance
- Contractor: Veolia

### TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH:

- Recycles: Compostable waste, all cardboard, greeting cards (but not with metal, glitter or plastic), all paper, tins, cans, empty aerosol cans, foil
- Doesn't recycle: Any plastics, glass,
- Type: Co-mingled, separate bin for compostable waste (fortnightly)
- Contractor: Veolia

### TUNBRIDGE WELLS BOROUGH:

- Recycles: Plastic bottles, cans, all paper and card, compostable waste

- Doesn't recycle: All other plastics, tins, glass

- Type: Separated (fortnightly)

- Contractor: Cory Environmental

tics the markets are not so readily available. There are higher sorting and cleansing costs, often resulting in a product for which there are limited markets."

Residents recycled 47 per cent of their waste last year, she said.

In Tonbridge and Malling residents recycled and composted 46 per cent of waste collected.

Nick Chard, KCC's cabinet member for the environment and waste, said: "We have got to look at how we can improve recycling and get really good value for money."

"A lot of saving could be made on the total cost of waste if we were more joined up between districts and county. It is a good service at the moment, but it could be better."

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# Chosen few build a better future career

**CONSTRUCTION** students given a second chance on a South Kent College course have transformed the space they work in.

Thirteen students were chosen for the multi trades course last September, and all 13 have completed the course successfully, with 12 being accepted on more skilled courses, and one opting to find a job.

The course has allowed the young men to find out which construction skills they were good at, no matter what their qualifications.

Tutor David Rowe, who led the group, said: "This course used to be in the main workshop but we got moved around so we begged to do this old area up. Now we have a dedicated site and the course can be delivered here."

"It's designed to give students who haven't had a good time at school, for whatever reason, a new opportunity. Not only did they learn valuable practical skills, they also had to work on literacy and numeracy to pass."

The students were all interviewed before being accepted. Tutor Patrick McAvoy

■ BY ED HILL

worked on literacy and numeracy as well because these basic skills are now essential in further construction courses.

Mr Rowe said: "The combination worked well. We built confidence as well as straightening people out as regards behaviour."

Mike Stanley, director of construction at South Kent College, said: "This, really, is what further education is all about at grassroots level. At this stage in these students' lives, we are just at the moment to make a difference, and I'm sure these 13 will all go on to successful careers."

Chris Jackson, 18, of Boxley in South Ashford, whose speciality was painting, now has the confidence to find a job thanks to being on the course.

He said: "I used to do painting at home for my mum but here I also learned how to put windows in and make skirting boards. It was fun and we had great tuition. Everyone was friendly so it was great working together."

## BREAK TIME



**PRIZE DONATION:** Viv Jones, Sandy Bassett, Ashley and his parents Julie and Bob Gulliver at the hospice

## Ashley donates his handmade tombola

A STUDENT from the Towers School in Kennington has handed over his carefully crafted exam piece to a charity.

Ashley Gulliver designed and built a tombola drum for his GSCE project.

His mother, Julie, who works at Ashford's Pilgrims Hospice, asked her son to donate it to the organization.

At a recent ceremony, watched by proud parents, Ashley handed over his work to Sandy Bassett from the hospice day centre.

She said: "This is a really kind gesture."

## Historic celebration for village school

BENENDEN Primary School recently celebrated its 400 year anniversary.

The origins of the school go back to 1609, with the opening of the Gibbon building as the schoolhouse on the northern side of The Green in Benenden village.

The building, although still occupied by the school, is actually owned by the Gibbon and Buckland Trust, a local education charity.

Plans have been made to build a new school to accommodate the 166 pupils.

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**TRADESMEN'S ENTRANCE:** South Kent College, where the youngsters learned their skills; successful student Chris Jackson



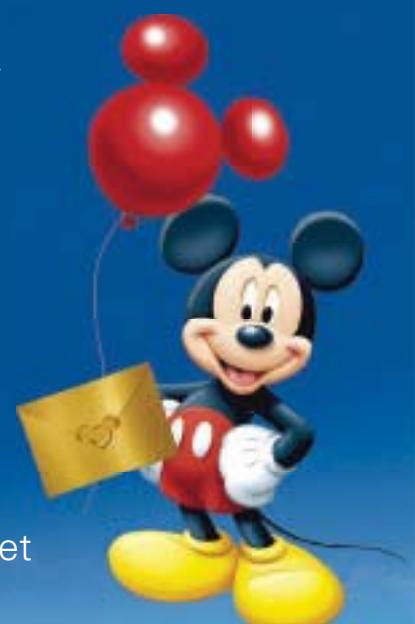
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## We must grasp the nettle and provide proper truck parking

I WAS one of the many who were relieved when I saw double yellow lines going down on the road that leads to Ashford cattle market.

For months our foreign trucker chums had pitched up every weekend on the road across the Orbital Business Park alongside the new car showrooms. Everyone who went to the market knew parked lorries would turn the road into a single-lane track. Weekends were worst, because France bans trucks from the roads on Sunday.



**DANGER:** March 2009

That meant truckers had to park up and wait for Monday to cross the Channel.

Orbital Business Park cost them nothing, while a night at the Truck Stop hits £25. There was quite a social scene going on, too.



**JULY 2009:**  
Despite new yellow lines truckers are still parking



Truckers in the back of empty trailer units, sat on their fold-up chairs eating, drinking and marvelling over the cheap junk they'd bought at the market. There were unsubstantiated reports of prostitution, but absolutely no doubt drivers used the verges as a toilet and, worst of all, they caused traffic chaos.

It was dangerous trying to cross the road as motorists were forced on to the other side of the road to negotiate bends. It was a crazy situation and after a long campaign by this newspaper (and others), the councils and police finally got together.

When the lines went down a couple of weeks ago I was pleased, at last the road chaos and danger had gone. But I was wrong. By the first

weekend the mainly East European drivers had worked out they could just squeeze two lorries into the space between the yellow lines as well as either side of the cattle market second entrance, and one cheeky blighter even parked in the beginning of the residential street off the roundabout. I urge the police and county and district councils to get down there and sort out the yellow lines properly.

Then we must accept the need for proper truck parking areas, with proper facilities, for the lorries we need. And at a reasonable price.

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## Abbeygail

With a father in the fire services, and a grand-father who was a paramedic, Abbeygail's dream is to work in the Public Services. So the BTEC Certificate in Public Services was a logical choice for her. Abbeygail is really enjoying her two-year course which is equivalent to A-Levels, much preferring the unit-based structure and continuous assessment to the pressure of end-of-year exams.



*"Life at College is different: you mix with lots of different people, teachers are approachable and supportive, resources are good and you are treated like an adult. I've learned so much and got so many certificates: fire-fighting, canoeing, etc. And next year we will do first aid as well. We've been on so many different trips. I really enjoyed the team-building trips such as tree-jumping or raft-building."*

In her second year of BTEC, Abbeygail plans to send an application to the RAF as she has set her mind on becoming an air traffic control officer.

## Callum

After GCSEs Callum enrolled on the Level 1 Diploma in Public Services in Folkestone.

*"When I was at school, I wanted to join the Police. That's why I decided to study Public Services. At College, you make so many good friends. We do a lot of team-building activities such as paint-ball and college challenges and trips such as visiting the army barracks. Tutors are really nice and help you with your work. You work hard but you can have a laugh. It's so much better than school where you are treated like a kid."*

Callum likes the variety of subjects studied in his course. *"We study fitness, career opportunities, how to eat healthily, how to apply for jobs... I've enjoyed all units, though I especially like the fitness side. I have also re-taken my GCSEs in English and maths and improved my grades. I want to get the best qualification I can get and I've enjoyed my time at College so much, I can't wait for the next course."*

Ultimately, Callum would like to join the army and train as a royal engineer.



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# yourletters

## TALK TIME

### ROSIE BALL

Ashford School psychology teacher Rosie Ball completed the London Marathon this year. She talked to Yourashford about why she decided to take on the challenge.

#### What made you want to take part in the London Marathon?

A few years ago I was watching the London marathon on the TV and I saw Fauja Singh running, at the age of 92. He was my inspiration. I thought, if he can do it, so can I.

#### You ran the race for Amnesty. What are your top fund-raising tips?

I used the website Justgiving.com which is absolutely invaluable for long distance fundraising. I basically contacted family and friends and my parents were brilliant and drummed up loads of support for me.

#### How do you feel now you have managed the challenge of the marathon?

I am pleased that I persevered through some very tedious training. I'm going to recommend it to so many people. It is something everyone could do.

#### How do you feel now you have managed the challenge of the marathon?

Many students have been really supportive and I know some are keen to run it themselves someday. I want to thank everyone who sponsored me. There's still time to empty your pockets. My website is <http://www.justgiving.com/rosieball1>



## YOUR LETTERS



### What do those monkeys know?

The monkeys on the front of Yourashford seem to think the town is a nice place to be (was this intentional one wonders?) but I'm sad to say I don't agree.

If the monkeys actually lived in the town they might be less cheerful.

Did the questionnaire mention traffic congestion by any chance? Or the lack of decent arts venues? Or the fact that the town still lacks a proper focal point despite a hugely expensive town centre development?

And how Ashford council can be deemed "good value for money" is beyond me. Did they hand this survey out to employees only?

Steven Wintour  
Kenington

### How long until the hosepipe ban?

With the recent warm weather



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how long will it be before the next threat of a hosepipe ban comes along? I know there wasn't one last year but this has become as unwelcome a feature of summer as the showing of Big Brother on Channel 4.

I'm sure it will only be a matter of time until water authorities say action is necessary to "preserve supplies" or some such nonsense.

Ian Ayres  
By email



### Name not worth worrying about

Don't the villagers of Kenardington have anything else to worry about than a road sign? There must be less happening than I thought if there is the need to get worked up over such an innocuous alteration.

Road names get changed all the time, and Church Road was hardly that original to begin with was it? Pretty much every village in England has one. Come and visit mine if you like.

Ed Richards, by email

### Thanks for support for Race for Life

I am writing to thank KOS Media for all your support with the Kent Race for Life events this summer.

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**Natasha Etienne**  
Area Event Manager  
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## Lounge on the Farm a quality weekend

A great time was had by all at Lounge on the Farm this year. My mates and I had a quality weekend and it had a relaxed atmosphere.

There are probably some moaners who complained about the noise etc, but really, it's just three days, and provides fun for thousands of people, and I reckon the council should bear that in mind before taking the moaning too seriously!

**James White**  
Canterbury

## Our beautiful coast was well presented

One of the best shows on TV at the moment is the BBC2 series Coast which features the best of the country's seaside towns.

Kent is regularly featured on this show, and I enjoyed a recent programme on Whitstable and would like to say what a pleasure it is to watch Nicholas Crane and Neil Oliver and their informed views on history, geography, wildlife, the environment and heritage.

It is good to see a contrast with the normal ill-informed egotists who usually present TV programmes.

**Miles Broad**  
by email

## Bruno brought out my admiration

Having recently watched the Bruno film I would like to say how much I admire some of those involved – not Sacha Baron Cohen or his crew – the supposed victims.

Far from showing homophobia many seemed nonplussed to be confronted with a seemingly demented man wearing ridiculous clothing.

I think anyone, hetero or homosexual, would probably feel the same if they were unaware of who Bruno was.

**Fiona McIntosh**  
by email

## The worst time to increase expenses

So it seems that Kent County

Council are set to increase members expenses. This could not have come at a worse time.

At a time when politicians are seen as money grabbers with no thought for the people they are representing this is another example of them being cast in the worst possible light.

Representing voters is not a job – it is something an incumbent should feel they do as they have a calling.

No-one would begrudge them money to make up for what they have to pay out of their own pocket.

But greater allowances could not make them seem more selfish or lacking in interest in being a true representative of voters.

**Mike Carmichael**  
by email

## Hang on to batsman to show commitment

Whatever Kent Cricket Club do later this summer they must keep the services of Martin Van Jaarsveld.

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**Philip Crossland**  
By email

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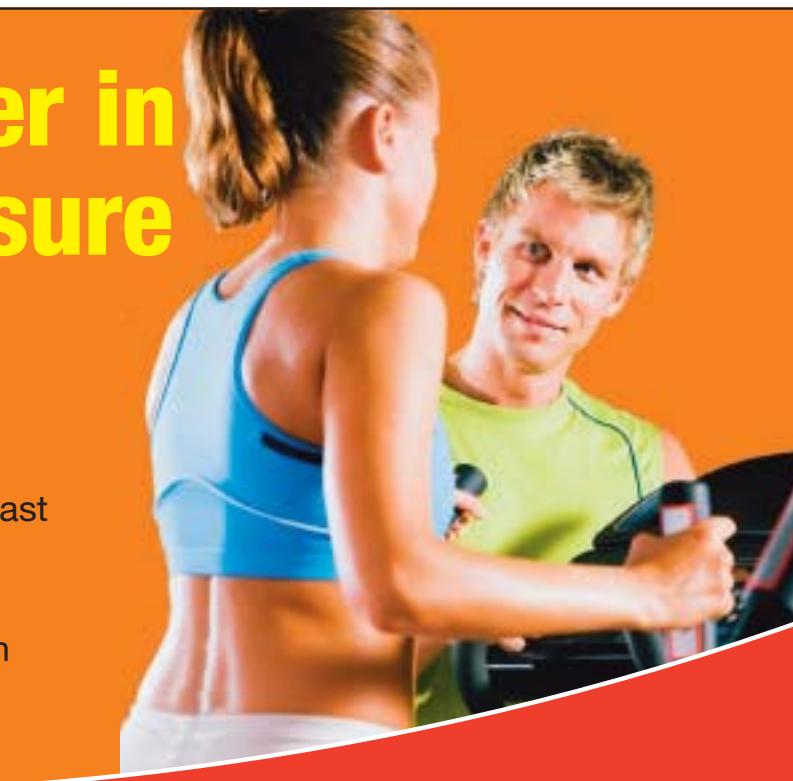
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*"I hit it off straight away. There is such a good atmosphere, it's a very good group, I love it and I've learned lots. At College we get involved in all kinds of sports. Age or abilities don't matter. People mix and it's something I really like".*

Troi has done so well on his course that he has been accepted to study a BTEC National (Level 3) next September at the end of which he plans to apply to university.



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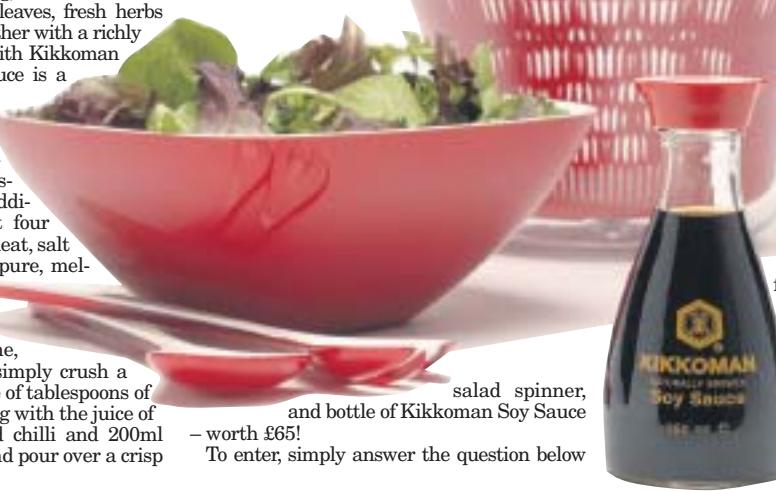
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Cooking time 10 minutes

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Ingredients:

2 chicken breasts, sliced into 4

2 tbsp Kikkoman Soy Sauce

2 tbsp orange juice

1 green chilli, de-seeded and finely chopped

1 avocado, peeled and cut into chunks

1 red onion, thinly sliced

100g fresh spinach leaves

1 tbsp olive oil

Small handful of torn basil leaves

1 mango, peeled and cut into thin strips

Fresh limes to serve

Method:

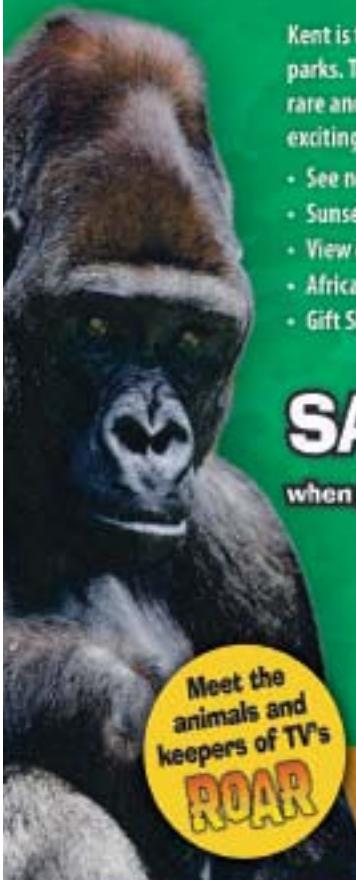
1. Pre-heat the grill. Mix the soy sauce, orange juice and chilli in a bowl, toss in the chicken and leave to marinate for 5 minutes.

2. Remove the chicken, reserving the marinade. Cook the chicken under the grill for 8-10 minutes, turning half way through.

3. In a small pan heat the marinade until piping hot and add the oil. Leave to cool slightly.

4. Divide the spinach leaves, avocado, red onion and basil leaves between serving bowls. Top with mango slices and the soy and chilli chicken. Drizzle over the marinade dressing. Serve with limes on the side.

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Conor adds:

"I liked the learning methods on this course because of the heavy emphasis on practical skills. You have to focus a lot and every detail is vital. I am now progressing onto the BTEC National Diploma in Engineering which is a 2-year course. I've made lots of friends here and I am really pleased that there will be 5 of my friends joining too."

After the National Diploma, Conor hopes to find employment working as an engineer on tower cranes or generators.



Joshua didn't enjoy school and much preferred doing things with his hands to academic studies. Joshua left with mostly Ds or Es in his GCSEs but had also done well on an introductory engineering course. From the age of 13 he has been helping and working for the Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway.

"I asked the railway for a full-time job but was told I had to be 18 and also that I required broader engineering skills. I was not at all sure about College after my experience at school but was persuaded at interview to give it a go. So I started the course, found I liked the College and not only discovered aspects of engineering that were completely new to me such as milling, but also found the maintenance training really useful."

During the course Joshua was in a team of 3 who were awarded a "Vernier Caliper" (a valuable piece of measuring equipment) for good attendance, safety awareness and quality of work. This included milling and turning work to 0.1mm accuracy.

Joshua commented:

"I'm really pleased I did the course. I have a recognised engineering qualification covering mechanical and electronic engineering which I can use as a springboard for further qualifications in the future, and I leave the course with broader and more finely tuned skills which will help me enormously in my new job on the railway. The work involves workshop work, track maintenance, signal box work and eventually I get to drive a train."



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Licensee Paul Guest, who has been in the post for the last six months said: "Our pub is a family-run establishment and a true traditional English pub in the lovely community of Brabourne and Smeeth.

"We fell in love with the village and wanted not only to have our own business but be part of a caring community.

"We serve fine beverages, including three well-kept real ales and great food, and can accommodate anyone from the smallest of parties to weddings."

Traditional games such as darts, pool and crib are available along with a pitch for a true Kentish game – bat and trap.



There is also a large garden with crazy golf and a play area.

Food is prepared to top restaurant standards, but at pub prices, by chef Richard Arter.

A 20-seat dining area has just been upgraded and new furniture installed on the patio for a great dining experience inside and out.

Food is served from Monday through to Friday from noon until 2pm and from

6pm to 9pm although the kitchen is closed on a Wednesday.

On Saturdays, food is available from noon until 6pm and on Sundays the kitchen opens for business at 12.30pm.

A senior citizens lunch is available on weekdays (but not Wednesday) priced at £7.50 for two courses.

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# Nigel jazzes up Margate

Classical violinist, Nigel Kennedy will be paying tribute to legend Miles Davis at the Big Sky Jazz Festival

ONE of Britain's biggest classical stars will be visiting Margate as part of the Big Sky Jazz Festival.

Nigel Kennedy, the best-selling classical violinist of all time, will pay tribute to jazz legend Miles Davis at the Winter Gardens on Friday. It will be one of the highlights of the three-day festival, with exciting events taking place at venues in and around the town.

A leading violin virtuoso, Kennedy has won fans all over the world, bringing new audiences to the classical genre with his unique talent and fresh approach to both classical and contemporary music. As a child,

Kennedy became the most famous protégé of Yehudi Menuhin, who paid the promising youngster's fees himself while Kennedy was studying at the Menuhin School. He moved on to study under celebrated teacher, Dorothy DeLay, at the Juilliard School of Music in New York, before exploding onto the music scene in the late 70s.

His impressive debuts include his 1977 performance at London's Royal Festival Hall, the Berlin Philharmonic in 1980 and his New York orchestral debut in 1987. During his long career Kennedy has performed for numerous members of the Royal family and received many accolades, such as Outstanding Contribution to British Music and Male Artist of the Year gongs at the Brit Awards.

From his first award-winning recording in 1985, Kennedy has created an extensive discography. His recording of Vivaldi's Four Seasons entered the Guinness Book of Records as the bestselling classical work of all time, with more than two million copies sold. In 2002 he was appointed artistic director of the Polish Chamber Orchestra, an office once held by his mentor, the late Lord Menuhin.

His passion for jazz is well-known, having produced the album Blue Note Sessions which featured a band of jazz giants such as Ron Carter and Jack DeJohnette. Currently he is working on a new album of original works with his quintet.

The Big Sky Jazz Festival is organised by Margate Town Partnership, with the support of Thanet District Council. It is now in its fifth year and the 2009 event has attracted some of Britain's most exciting jazz talents. Other key concerts in the festival line-up including performances by British jazz guitarist Mark Hewins and his trio, the original District Six South African band, Henry Lowther's Still Waters, Sarah Moule and Simon Wallace, Annie Whitehead's Big Sky Big Band, Lackadaisical Big Band, Christine Tobin Band and John Etheridge. These great names will be performing live and free on the Piazza throughout the weekend.

Tickets for Nigel Kennedy's concert cost £22.50/£11. To book call 01843 292795/296111 or visit [www.margatewintergardens.co.uk](http://www.margatewintergardens.co.uk).

For more information about the festival call 01843 297350 or visit [www.visitthanet.co.uk](http://www.visitthanet.co.uk).

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Doors open from 5pm. Tickets, priced at £10/£5, are available from Godinton House on 01233 643854 and online at [www.pantaloons.co.uk](http://www.pantaloons.co.uk).



## COMEDY CLUB

Friday, July 24  
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Three exciting comedians will be aiming for the funny bone when they entertain audiences with their gags and stories. Keen comedy fans and people just looking for a good night out will find something to lift their spirits with this top line-up of comics.

Nik Coppin will be acting as MC for the evening, building audience rapport with his confident and affable style. Discover a unique mix of mirth, magic, mystery and madness when Otiz Cannelloni performs. Mike Milligan is an accomplished writer and performer and is a resident at Newcastle's Hyena Comedy Club. He voiced Viz Comic's Sid the



Sexist character on video and performed as Sid live in concert at Newcastle City Hall.

The show starts at 9pm. Tickets cost £20 including a two-course meal and £18 for

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## CREATE 2009

Sunday, July 26  
Victoria Park, Ashford

THOUSANDS of people will be flocking to Ashford this weekend for the town's biggest music festival.

According to organisers, Create 2009 boasts the strongest line-up yet and promises to be a brilliant day of free entertainment on a variety of stages.

One of the many highlights will be singer-songwriter Nick Harrison (pictured) who is a rising star in the music world. There will also be the chance to rock out to the sounds of the Counterfeit Quo and alternative rockers

Hold Fire. Also performing on the main stage are Black Market Karma, Kingskin, Robert Harris, The Flack, Phantom Lacuna, Modern Beach and Stone Thrower.

Carnelian, Flat Lung and Charlotte Rose will be among the acts appearing on the Right Track Music School Stage, which gives Ashford bands the chance to perform. On the Sideways Recording Stage, DJs such as Thom, Episodes, Keydin and Fraser Owen will be hitting the decks.

With children's attractions, Monty Hammond's Worldwide Funfair and much more to enjoy, there is plenty going on at Create 2009. The event runs from noon to 8pm. For more details visit [www.createfestival.co.uk](http://www.createfestival.co.uk).



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Robin Wright Penn stars as Pippa Lee, a woman heading for a mental breakdown after moving to a retirement village with her older husband, who has an affair with her friend's son.

# Magical superstar – or just a normal teenager?

■ BY KATE WHITING

AN EARNEST young actor bursts into the room, grabs my hand in a shake and says: "Hi, I'm Daniel".

But he doesn't need to make an introduction. Daniel Radcliffe has one of the most recognised faces in the world thanks to a certain boy wizard named Harry Potter.

In fact, after seven years playing JK Rowling's creation there can't be many places where the 19-year-old isn't known.

Dressed simply in a red shirt and jeans, Daniel scans the hotel suite in London with curiosity. But once he starts talking about something, the words just flow in a torrent of excitement.

Harry Potter And The Half-Blood Prince, the sixth film in the highly successful franchise, once again pits Harry and his faithful side-kicks Ron Weasley (Rupert Grint) and Hermione Granger (Emma Watson) against dark forces.

With the evil Voldemort on the rise, the students at Hogwarts have to be ever more vigilant about who is among them.

Returning teacher Professor Horace Slughorn (Jim Broadbent) provides Harry with valuable knowledge about his former pupil Tom Riddle, a boy who would grow up to become a threat to the wizarding world.

There's also romance in the air, as Ron gets a new girlfriend, making Hermione jealous, and Harry kisses Ron's sister Ginny (Bonnie Wright) for the first time.

"It was weird, because I've known Bonnie since she was mine. When Katie Leung was brought in to play Cho (Harry's first love), we all knew she was going to be the love interest, but with Bonnie as Ginny, she was just



LOVE INTEREST: Harry Potter actor Daniel Radcliffe

brought in to play Ron's little sister, so it was kind of odd kissing her."

That said, Daniel claims he wasn't nervous about the scene. Partly because he had just been performing in a West End and Broadway production of Seventies play Equus, which involved getting his clothes off every night.

For all the fame and money – he reportedly signed a contract worth more than £25m for the final Harry Potter films – Daniel's

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a normal, if fairly intellectual, teenager.

During breaks from filming, he and Rupert play table tennis, or watch daytime TV and old war movies. He writes poetry in his spare time and stays in touch via letters.

Daniel and his co-stars are a few months into a 19-month shoot for the seventh and eighth films. The final book, Harry Potter And The Deathly Hallows, has been split into two.

In his first post-Potter role, he's set to play photographer Dan Eldon, who was killed in Somalia, aged 22, in The Journey Is The Destination – funding permitting.

"It is a long way off at the moment, but it's potentially a very exciting thing for me."

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## Take care of your pets both home and away

WITH increased numbers of people holidaying in the UK this year, pets have more chance of joining in the fun.

But Pets at Home is urging people to think carefully when travelling with animals. Their top tips include providing fresh water; restraining dogs with a harness or barrier; carrying animals in a wire-mesh box rather than a cardboard one and never leaving pets alone in a car.

The store's range of travel products includes Serene-UM car sickness tablets (£6.06 for 30) for dogs and cats. Visit your local store or go online at [www.petstathome.com](http://www.petstathome.com) for details.

## You can tackle the rush in web clearance sale

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This deal is for a limited period and is not available in-store. For details, visit [www.ashfordtackle.co.uk](http://www.ashfordtackle.co.uk).

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# Festival is Hevy-ing with great alternative bands



**MAKING MUSIC:** Electro-pop star Gary Newman, top, and Hundred Reasons will be at the Hevy Music Festival

MUSIC often mirrors life, in as much that bad things in the industry also come in threes; Atomic Kitten, 911 and Cleopatra being three examples of terrible trios.

As always, however, there is an equal yin to the yang. For us Kentish folk we have summer music festivals.

Having already enjoyed the Hop Farm and Lounge on the Farm weekenders, next up we have the Hevy one-dayer, completing the trio of good events.

Take that Atomic Kitten.

The Folkestone beach event – taking place on Saturday, August 1 – features 25 bands and singers across three outdoor stages.

Among the biggest draws are British rockers Feeder, Ash and Hundred Reasons and 80s superstar Gary Numan.

The majority of the bill is dedicated to lesser-known, more obscure bands.

A Hevy Music Festival spokesman claimed this was their intention, saying: "There are

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

many fantastic new festivals being developed in Kent this year.

"Having grown up in Canterbury, it's great to see so much live music being offered in this corner of the UK. To try to create something a bit different, and cater for a market that we felt could do with some attention, we're developing this as an alternative music festival.

"For our first year we're keeping things simple, with a one-day event featuring a diverse line-up of huge bands from the world of alternative music.

"We're hoping to develop the event next year, with more bands on more stages, possibly over a number of days."

Tickets to the festival cost £48 and are available from [www.hevy.co.uk](http://www.hevy.co.uk) or Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone, the Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury, and the Winter Gardens, Margate.

Gates open at 1pm. For more information, visit [www.hevy.co.uk](http://www.hevy.co.uk).

**MAIN STAGE:** Feeder, Ash, Gary Numan, The Blackout, Hundred Reasons, Attack! Attack!, Sonic Boom Six, In Case Of Fire

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**SHOCKING:** Electro-synth stars Golden Silvers at Lounge on the Farm



**LOUNGING AROUND:** Los Salvadores perform at the same event



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## YOUR TV REVIEW

■ BY TOM BETTS

### AIRLINE

ITV1, 8pm, Friday

### TORCHWOOD: CHILDREN OF EARTH

I HATE flying, but I love Airline, the fly-on-the-wall show which follows the turbulent work lives of those who earn a living serving easyJet.

"It's not easy being green" sang Kermit the Frog many moons ago, but these workers could easily change that to it's not easy being (decked in orange) as the staff of the budget airline endure the vociferous bile that is usually reserved for paedophiles and killers.

There's a lot of shouting in this show – and I do mean a lot.

Much of the action centres around the check-in desk as people turn up late, without passports or often drunk as skunks and then expect to be let onto their flight regardless.

Airline is back for a 20-week run on ITV1 which means they'll be a lot of stamping of feet and rows in broken English.

Brilliant!

Arguments may be horrible things to be involved in first-hand, but they make cracking television.

There are lots of less interesting bits about the day-to-day operations, but really this is all about those "Get me on that plane, you mug" moments, and god bless it for that.

You have to hand it to the staff, many of them seem to have developed skin thicker than the Hoover Dam and rarely bat an eyelid when someone is up in their face hurling a stream of abuse their way.

I doubt many of us would be able to operate under such stress.

I've panned Torchwood in the past – and with good reason.

More often than not it's been awful



**ALIEN INTERVENTION:** Torchwood's recent storyline has proved the show is getting better

nonsense that seems to exist only as the reinvention of Doctor Who which has been such a huge success.

However, I must admit that five-parter Children of Earth was actually rather good and had me hooked.

The acting was nothing to get too excited about, but the storyline, about a brutal alien race demanding ten per cent of the planet's kids to use as some kind of recreational drug, was a good and original idea which worked rather well.

Stretching it out to every weekday night may have been pushing it a bit far, especially at a whole hour per episode, but credit where it's due.

It bodes well for the next series, if they decide to make one.

If they don't, then it would be a shame finishing just as the light at the end of the tunnel had finally loomed into view.

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BY RUSSELL GRANT



### AQUARIUS

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### PISCES

(Feb 20-Mar 20) A ROMANCE, project, or family decision could turn your life around. It's time to make room for joy and that might mean cutting back, even at the risk of losing money. You don't need to be wealthy to have fun. A friend may try to fill your head with fears regarding career prospects.

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### ARIES

(Mar 21-Apr 20) IT'S a good time for buying or selling property. This will happen quite suddenly and the result will be great. You may want to move to a private spot. Although you're very social, you need a secluded area to recharge your batteries. Work can be something of a challenge now.

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### CANCER

(Jun 23-Jul 23) YOU could discover some hidden talents this week. Finding surprising ways to apply your expertise gives you a new level of confidence. Don't be surprised if you're asked to teach, write or lecture. People look to you as an authority, even if you don't have formal training.

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### LIBRA

(Sep 24-Oct 23) PUBLIC recognition is coming your way, so get ready for the spotlight to be trained on you. It's great to know people enjoy your creative vision. If you've ever wanted a career in fashion, film, or television take the plunge now. Offer to work for free, if you have to.

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### CAPRICORN

(Dec 22-Jan 20) OLD relationships evolve into newer, stronger friendships. Someone could get engaged or married quite suddenly. It's even possible you'll form a business partnership. No matter what the nature of this bond, it will have some unusual aspects. You could be complete opposites.

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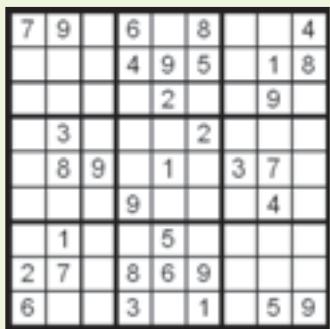
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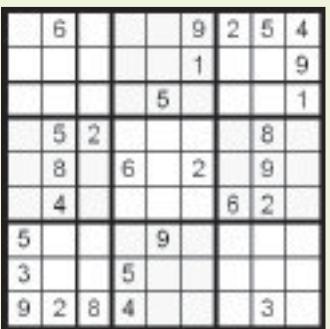
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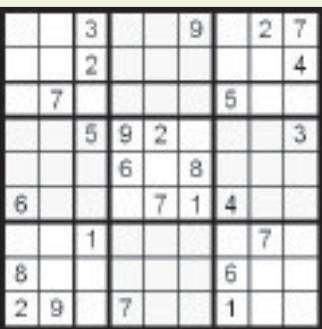
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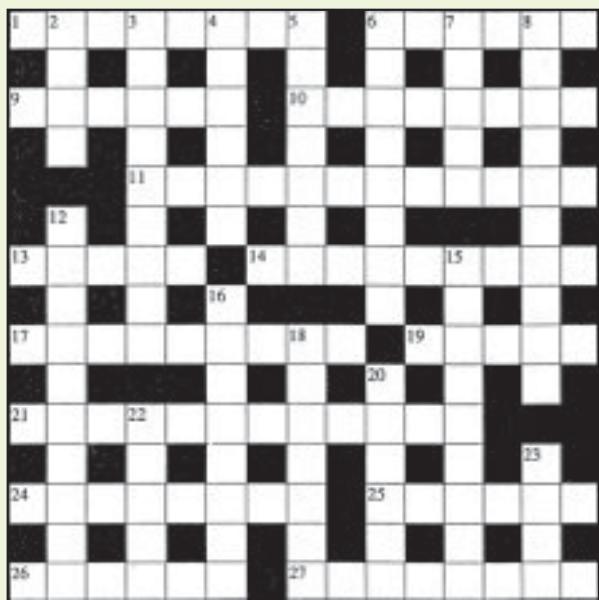


## CRYPTIC CLUES

## ACROSS

- Notes by river perhaps the movement of money (4,4)
- Illusion of silver in swamp (6)
- Attack name included for pancake (6)
- Number on phone about Greek general (8)
- Direct speech? (8,4)
- By which chauvinist might express annoyance (5)
- Throw bullet from catapult (9)
- Removed fault fast as it is windy (9)
- Inexperienced environmentalist (5)
- Rail-car? (7-5)
- Woman who flirts on river in Northumberland, say (8)
- Natural rind be removed (6)
- Reach former nurse (6)
- Saying vegetable in outer covering is good initially (8)
- DOWN
- With skill profitably somewhat (4)
- Were eyes in the back of the head used with this? (9)
- Reptile found in sitting-room? (6)
- Bird to grow beak! (7)
- I leave German city with gin-sling chewing (8)
- Drunkard came up to pocket billiard ball again (5)
- Pretty girl perhaps is well-behaved observer (4-6)
- Letter from William exchanging tuxedo (6-4)
- Beast had three months with book, nothing less (9)
- Distributed, dealt lot out (8)
- Novelty of unworn cape (7)
- I get in fancy light (6)
- Note police going inside during suspension of hostilities (5)
- Some who move inside have distinctive manner (4)

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## QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

- Control column (8)
- Assent (6)
- Secluded footway (6)
- Large horned bird (5-3)
- Vulnerability (12)
- Pool (5)
- Flu (9)
- Misleading (9)
- Pong (5)
- Stallholder (6,6)
- Disunion (8)
- Carole (anag.) (6)
- Chinese fruit (6)
- Rebel (8)

DOWN

- African antelope (4)
- Pasta (9)
- Breathe in (6)
- Moscow citadel (7)
- In an imposing way (8)
- Remove dirt (5)
- Reducing workforce (10)
- Render unfit (10)
- Amuse (9)
- Terrian (8)
- Word from initials (7)
- Skilful (6)
- Town NW of Aberdeen (5)
- Hint (4)

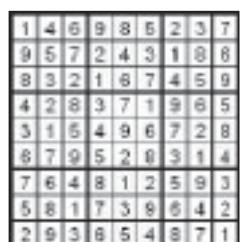
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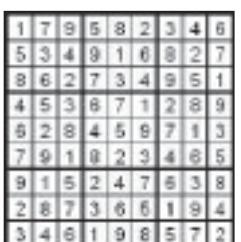
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## CRYPTIC SOLUTION No96

**ACROSS:** 1 By the by 5 Ghosted 9 OMOV  
 10 Bumfreeze 12 Jurassic 13 Creepy 14  
 Action replay 17 Quelque chose 21 Pampas  
 23 Pick-me-up 24 Historical 25 Tidy 26  
 Unknown 27 Cricket **DOWN:** 2 Yum yum  
 3 Have a ball 4 Baby-sit 6 Hire car 7 Siege  
 8 Exemplar 11 Microscopic 15 Pneumatic  
 16 Duration 18 Unscrew 19 Oscular 20  
 Dundee 22 Paten.

## QUICK SOLUTION No97

**ACROSS:** 1 Egle-owl 11 Helipassenger 13 Party 14  
 Interceptor 17 Egotistical 19 Shirk 21 Market  
 header 24 Division 25 Oracle 26 Whore  
 27 Nutmegger **DOWN:** 2 Drix 3 Spaghetti  
 4 Whistle 5 Kramkin 6 Augury 7 Cleen 8  
 Dowsing 12 Disgenuously 15 Etherium 16  
 Trotsie 18 Acronym 20 Adrot 22 Keeth  
 23 Clue.

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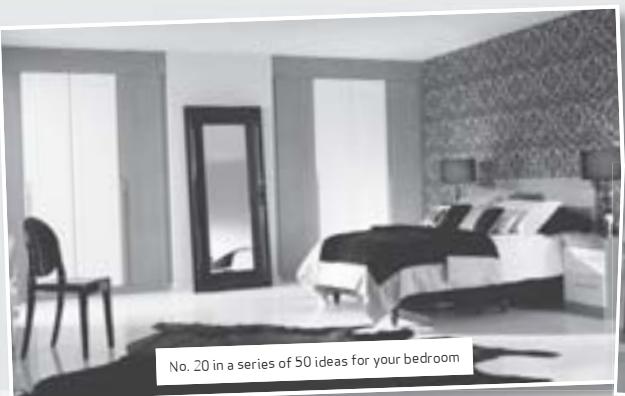


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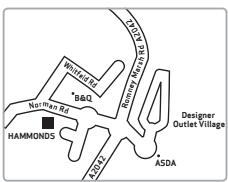
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THERE'S more to Egypt than the Pyramids of Giza and a trip deep into the western desert reveals one of its less well-known treasures.

A three-hour drive south from the coastal town of Marsa Matruh, and 350 miles south-west of bustling Cairo, Siwa Oasis is a dust-coloured settlement that has changed little in centuries.

But the 'oasis of a million palm trees' is more than a patch of green in an expanse of sandy desert. It boasts several ancient ruins, including the Temple of the Oracle (pictured) linked to Alexander the Great and its own 'mountain of the dead' containing ancient tombs.

The palm trees which give the city its name and are so important to the area that they cannot be chopped down. As a result, our hotel had several trees protruding through the dining room and up into the terrace where they cast a welcome shadow from the sun.

Unlike the Western bustle of Cairo, Siwa is a traditional place – the women are totally covered in public and there isn't a drop of alcohol to buy. However, they don't mind if you bring your own.

We headed out of town to see

■ BY EMILY BEAUMENT

some of the places originally settled by the Bedouin before they moved into Siwa, as well as the salt lakes and springs which rise like mirages out of the desert.

One of the highlights of the trip was the desert safari, where we stopped at an oasis lake for a swim, before heading to a part of the desert littered with the fossils of seashells dating back millions of years to when the Sahara was at the bottom of the sea.

We also went to Giza, where the crowds of tourists, the camel-ride salesmen and the security searches are as much a part of the experience as the Pyramids themselves.

Our Egyptologist guide dismissed a number of the theories about the Pyramids – including the belief they were built by slaves – but told us their dimensions were perfect for withstanding earthquakes. We got a chance to see belly dancing and whirling dervishes on a Nile cruise, which fabulously showed off the capital city by night.

It was a world away from the donkey carts and sunsets over the desert of Siwa, and hard to believe the two places were part of the same country – and the one trip.



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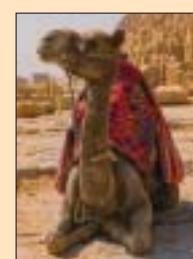
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### Travel details

Emily Beament was a guest of On the Go Tours, which offers the seven-day Siwa to Alexandria group tour from £549 (land-only), monthly through 2009. Package includes B&B accommodation, two lunches, two dinners, guide, all transfers. Return flights into Cairo are arranged by On the Go from regional departure points. Reservations: 020 7371 1113 and [www.onthegotours.com](http://www.onthegotours.com).

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### Lender offers 125% to tackle negative equity

THE Nationwide Building Society is offering a 125 per cent mortgage, but it is only available to existing customers in negative equity who want to move house.

The UK's largest building society said it was a "niche offer" and not everyone in negative equity will be eligible.

These types of loans have been criticised in the past, and since the credit crunch have been withdrawn from the market altogether.

They were available at the height of the property boom and borrowers were immediately placed in negative equity once house prices began their descent.

The Financial Services Authority is considering restricting mortgage loans to 100 per cent of a property's value.

Meanwhile, under the Nationwide's new offer, borrowers would take out a loan for 95 per cent of the value of their new property at a fixed rate of 6.73 per cent for three years or 7.48 per cent for five years.

The interest rates for the additional borrowing, up to another 30 per cent, rise to 7.23 per cent and 7.98 per cent respectively.

### First-time buyers get cash help from parents

CASH gifts and loans from parents and other family members are boosting the housing market for young first-time buyers.

Data from the Council of Mortgage Lenders says 80 per cent of first-time buyers under the age of 30 are likely to have received help from parents to make the 25 per cent downpayment now required by the majority of lenders, the council says.

In 2006, this figure was about 40 per cent.

However, figures are still down on similar statistics for 12 months ago, despite the rally.

Some 14,000 loans to buy homes were made to first-time buyers in May, up 2 per cent from April but still almost 30 per cent down on May 2008.

However, the data also suggests that lenders are no longer tightening their criteria when it comes to putting out money, a trend which has been evident since late last year.

Average loans to first-time buyers were almost three times income in May, the same as April, according to the findings.



# Recovery hindered by under-valuations

■ BY NICK AMES



OBSTACLE: Lenders' surveyors have been accused of under-valuing property to restrict lending

PEOPLE looking to buy a new home are being thwarted by banks offering mortgages below the builder's asking price, two of the country's largest homebuilders claim.

Barratt Developments and Redrow have accused banks of stalling the housing market's recovery by downgrading their valuations on new properties in a bid to restrict lending.

The activity means that househunters have to come up with more cash than they would normally need to complete purchases.

Redrow said the "widespread practice of downvaluation by surveyors representing mortgage lenders" posed a "major obstacle to the recovery of the housing market".

Having agreed a price with the prospective buyer, Redrow said deals were then being undermined when surveyors valued the homes at less than the asking price.

This meant that potential buyers could only get a mortgage for the valuation price, leaving them to either come up with a larger deposit or pull out of the sale.

Redrow, which saw completed sales slide 46 per cent to 2,113 in the 12 months to the end of June, blamed the gap in valuation for about two-thirds of its cancellation rate of 20 per cent as potential buyers were forced to give up on buying the property.

Steve Morgan, company chairman, said: "It's not happening all the time, but there are too many incidents of it. We're seeing a tremendous discrepancy over valuation."

Newly-built houses can be more expensive compared with older houses, but a Redrow spokesman said there were cost savings associated with newer homes, such

as included energy efficiency. The concern was echoed by Mark Clare, chief executive of Barratt Developments, who said the policy was creating a "two-scheme mortgage sector".

"Someone who has equity or savings might be able to manage, but a first-time buyer might be left in a situation where they can't proceed," he said.

He added that one of the key problems was surveyors comparing a new-build to an older house.

"We're not asking for new-builds to be valued at a premium, but for them to be valued appropriately," said Mr Clare. "If we can't get the right price, we will remarket the property."

Mr Clare added that the current situation was more buoyant and "dramatically different" to the autumn, when the company was trying to reduce stock and had to take what was being offered.

"We're now building to order," he said.

Barry Hall, of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, said the initial builder's price was not necessarily a market valuation.

"If a surveyor values the house at less than the asking price, that's presented as a downvaluing, but that's a myth," he said.

He added that there was "nothing wrong" with lenders asking surveyors to value a house as second-hand rather than new, but added he was "not convinced" that the lender always made this clear to the buyer.

Mr Hall said there had been problems in the past with housebuilders adding incentives to the cost of a new house such as fitted carpets or a year's free groceries, masking the real price.

A spokesman for the Home Builders Federation said: "There is an issue with valuations and it's a concern to the industry."

"We are trying to work with the lenders, their representatives and the Government to find ways to improve the situation."

# Signs of growing confidence

OPTIMISM in the housing market is rising in the South East as potential buyers continue to show interest, according to the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors.

A survey for June found that confidence is returning, thanks to a rise in price expectations, supported by low levels of stocks on surveyors' books and increasing buyer enquiries.

Evidence that activity in the housing market is picking up, albeit from very low levels, has increased surveyor optimism.

The net balance of surveyors in the region

expecting price increases rose, with 29 per cent expecting house prices to rise, compared with a negative reading of five per cent in May.

The rise in optimism has been driven by the continuing upturn in buyer enquiries and falling levels of fresh supply.

The survey also contains more definitive signs that the rebound in enquiries is now feeding thorough into increased transactions.

Sales rose again, with the average numbers of properties sold over the past three months rising to 12.7, up from 11.7 in May.

Jeremy Leaf, RICS South East spokesman, said: "Although the market is showing signs of improvement, it is unlikely that there will be a sustained recovery while mortgage lenders remain risk-adverse."

"A lack of supply on the market is providing a platform for modest price increases."

"While supply remains tight, the market is likely to show tentative signs of progress, but instructions are starting to increase and will dampen any serious improvement while economic conditions remain uncertain."

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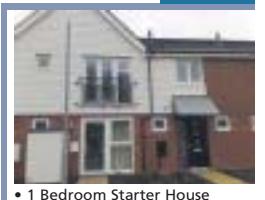
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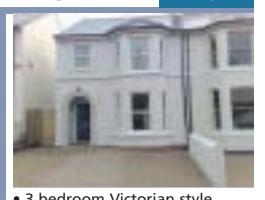
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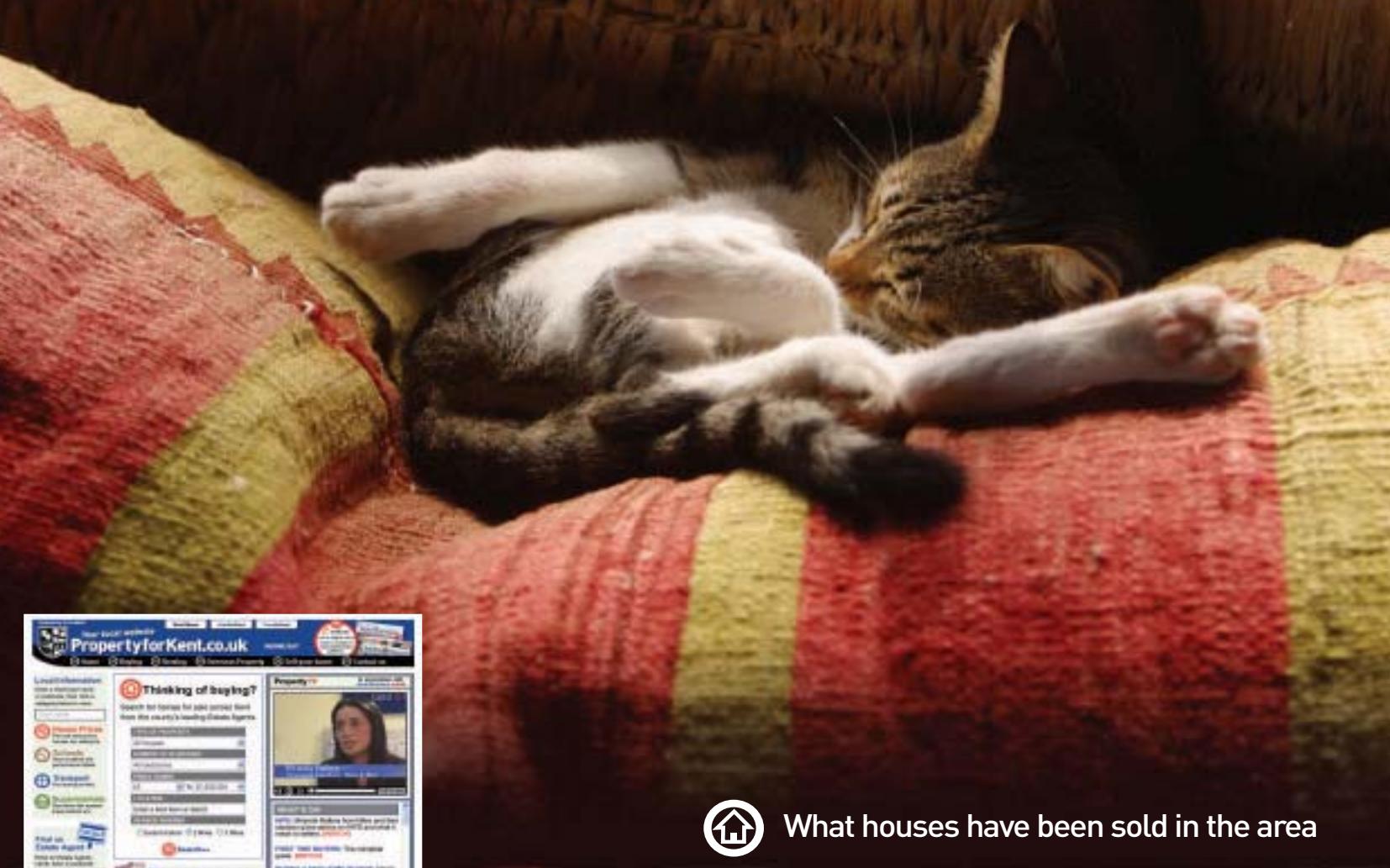


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### A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Hi I'm Katie, caring, fun-loving, 5ft5, slim single mum of 2. Enjoy clubbing out and cosy nights in with genuine man. Box 453269 **T**

### IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU BABY

Caring and honest lady, 25, blue eyes, blonde hair looking for a sweet, caring and respectful non-smoking man, 25-35, for love, friendship and LTR. Box 879522 **T**

### NOT YOUR

#### BROWN-EYED GIRL, BUT...

Blue-eyed brunette, 27, 5ft1, loves films, walking, darts, pool, singing, me time! Looking for honest guy with GSOH, to get to know. Box 880105 **T**

### YOURS AND YOURS ONLY

Attractive, down-to-earth British-Indian single mum, 29, WLTM white British male, 29-34, no ties for long-term relationship. Box 883431 **T**

### GIVE AND TAKE IN LOVE

Loving lady, female, 30, blue eyes, brown hair, seeking LTR with male 30-35, fits, no baggage, in the Maidstone area. Box 448471 **T**

### SEEKING MR DARCY

Warm, kind and sincere woman, 31, lots of love and loyalty for the right person, seeking an honest genuine man with a good heart. Box 451004 **T**

### HORSES FOR COURSES...

Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5ft2, blonde likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 389401 **T**

### HAPPY DAYS!

Attractive, fun-loving female, 31, 5ft4", size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, WLTM intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 380734 **T**

### IN THE COUNTRY

Are you the one? I'm 33, single, 5ft2, pure country lass from farming background, seeking my lovely country man to make me forever happy. Box 892265 **T**

### GOOD LUCK CHARM

Sporty female, 34, 5ft2, likes the gym, beach walks, Tennis and cycling, WLTM similar male in his 30s for friendship in Eastbourne. Box 453712 **T**

### A FAIRYTALE ENDING!

Princess Fiona, 34, looking to meet her Shrek, 5ft8, short brown/blonde hair, blue eyes, large build, seeks romantic caring guy for friendship, maybe more! Box 877957 **T**

### FEAST YOUR EYES ON...

Hello I'm Andrea, 35, petite 5ft3, shoulder length curly hair. I enjoy eating out, cinema and I'm looking for friendship and possible long term relationship. Box 453039 **T**

### SOULD GOOD?

Hello I'm 35, kind, caring and non-smoking, enjoy cooking, cinema, music, dining in and out, looking for that special someone to enjoy a relationship. Box 447509 **T**

### SEALED WITH A KISS

Petite lady, 36, long hair, blue eyes, single mum, enjoys holidays, dining and dining, laughing, seeks loyal, loving man for friendship and more. Box 453079 **T**

### STAR NIGHTS

Hello I'm Sarah, single mum from Kent, brown hair enjoy swimming nights in/out looking for a caring man to share the best thing in life. Box 878378 **T**

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### SEIZE THE DAY

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### BLONDE AMBITION

Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 39, 5ft6, likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614 **T**

### CUTE AS CAN BE

Cute single mum of four, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship, possibly romance. Box 897983 **T**

### A SOUL MATE

Black Christian girl, 39, likes country music, loving, considerate, kind and caring, looking for a like-minded man, 32-50, with a pretty inside. Box 453066 **T**

### ENTHUSIASM ENCOURAGED!

Lovely pretty big-busted lady, 39, medium build, 5ft5, lots of energy! likes the gym, reading, new experiences! seeking a nice man for potential exciting relationship! Box 446724 **T**

### A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE

Lovely, glossy Brunette, 39y old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys the arts, music and eating out. WLTM a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 **T**

### PERFECT MATCH

Hi I'm Nikki, 5ft1, brown hair, green eyes, enjoys animals especially my pets. Looking for a tall man who has a personality compatible with mine. Box 453374 **T**

### YOUNG-AT-HEART

Attractive 38y old female, dark brown hair, blue eyes, curvy physique, likes days out, music, concerts, cinema, walking, cycling, seeks loving, fun male, for friendship/relationship. Box 901893 **T**

### JOINED AT THE HIP

Sociable petite girl with great SOH, 40, blonde, sociable, love football! Looking for a guy with great SOH for inseparable partnership. Box 880434 **T**

### TO THE STARS

Woman with a great sense of humour, I'm 40 and I like going out, astrology, writing and socialising. How about you? Kent area. Box 453877 **T**

### BETWEEN US

Asian lady, 41, single, no ties, out going, fun loving, professional, looking for a white male, genuine, professional and solvent. Box 451900 **T**

### FOR A RELATIONSHIP?

Shy but confident once-known female, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walking, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopefully love with. Box 452106 **T**

### THE WIT TO WOO!

Kent female, 40, 5ft7, dark eyes, GSOH, no ties, likes cosy nights in, socialising, country pubs, cinema, seeks loyal, caring male, for friendship & more. Box 152862 **T**

### LIFE IS GIVING

Down-to-earth lady, 42, sincere, honest and reliable, looking for a male for friendship first, going out, enjoying evenings and perhaps something more later on. Box 449712 **T**

### BELLA ISABEL

Lovely, fun and caring blonde, 42, recently divorced, intelligent, hard working, fun-loving, WLTM a gent to socialise with. Box 872520 **T**

### LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL

Good-looking blonde from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc. Looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with GSOH for friendship/relationship. Box 450348 **T**

### ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?

Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 443466 **T**

### 2'S COMPANY

Seeking gent, 48-50ish, I'm a divorced woman, in Ry, 47, work in nursing and WLTM someone loving and faithful. I like meals out, theatre, arts, walks. Box 453580 **T**

### DO YOU HAVE THE BRAINS & THE LOOKS?

Professional, attractive female, 54, enjoys the countryside, gardening, keeping fit, reading and writing, looking to meet an attractive and intelligent man for a relationship. Box 448663 **T**

### FANCY A FILM?

Hi I'm Pam, 47, 5ft11, brown hair, grey eyes, slim, divorced, looking for a LTR with a nice and genuine man. No time-wasters please! Heathfield. Box 448626 **T**

### SOUND GOOD?

Hi I'm Lynne, 46, 5ft4, dark hair, eyes, reading/writing, going out, astrology, cars; seeking honest, caring, happy guy with similar interests. Box 448795 **T**

### LIVE TO THE FULL

Good-looking blonde from Kent, 43, 5ft10, likes bowling, eating in/out etc. Looking for a good-looking guy, 35-45, with GSOH for friendship/relationship. Box 449186 **T**

### ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?

Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Box 449712 **T**

### SHARE A BOTTLE

This is Diane, I'm 51, 5ft7, quite curvy, very social, honest and friendly. I work full-time and want to spend time with a nice man. Box 453370 **T**

### PUT SPARK INTO LIFE

Caring slim female, 46, 5ft2, like meals out, cinema, walks, gardening and golf, looking for a kind and loving companion. Box 60-63. Box 450581 **T**

### FOR YOUR LOVE

Wicked sense of humour, 58, 5ft6, interests include the countryside, old pubs, music, reading and baking. Looking for that special someone to enjoy life with. Box 878455 **T**

### BEING WITH YOU

I'm Jilly, 61y old widow, enjoys pub meals, countryside, the beach, cinema, likes swimming for friendship and more. Box 453580 **T**

### DO YOU HAVE THE BRAINS & THE LOOKS?

Professional, caring, divorced male, 47, athletic/muscular, black hair, enjoys concerts, walks on the beach and eating out. WLTM lady with similar characteristics for LTR. Box 441719 **T**

### A NEW LEAF

Genuine, caring male, 40, 5ft11, blue eyes, WLTM woman with similar interests. Kent. Box 453576 **T**

### I'LL MAKE YOU SMILE

Keisha from Kent, 40, two children, like walking, swimming, cycling, very fun-loving, looking for a girl with similar interests. Box 453311 **T**

### FRIENDS FIRST

Caring, understanding chap, 40, 5ft7, blue eyes, blonde hair, slim/average I'm easygoing, relaxed and like travel, music, film, restaurants, theatre, days out, badminton. Box 451363 **T**

### A NEW LIFE

Quite a little bit shy! widower, 41, loves cooking, WLTM older lady for a serious relationship. Box 452701 **T**

### JUST A GIRL

Blonde, curvaceous, attractive lady seeking the same! I'm slim, athletic, blonde, blue eyes, I'm 26 and WLTM similar female. Box 878957 **T**

### FUN AND MAYBE MORE

Passionate female, 37, new to town, WLTM passionate, genuine companion to socialise with, go out and have some fun, then what happens. Ashford area. Box 880564 **T**

### LET'S BUILD A ROMANCE

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Friendly, 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings Box 417100 **T**

## JUST IMAGINE

Petite, bubbly, friendly, easygoing single mum, 49, enjoys cinema, eating out, socialising, most things, WLTM genuine male, to see where life takes us! Box 893562 **T**

## STARTING OVER

Divorced 45yr old cuddly woman, brown eyes/hair, likes swimming, animals, cinema, soaps, the beach, WLTM a honest, non-smoking man for friendship, maybe more. Ashford Box 878141 **T**

## HIT THE JACKPOT

Good-looking female, 50, looking for a kind, reliable and honest man, must be a moderate drinker, for companion and romance! Box 878216 **T**

## BRING ME TO LIFE

Lighthearted female, 45, 5ft2, medium build, likes swimming, animals, cinema, soaps, the beach, WLTM a honest, non-smoking male for friendship! Box 878986 **T**

## WE ARE THE LIMIT

Seeking honest woman, who I can be myself with. I'm a genuine male, 34, GSOH and enjoys music, travel, swimming, Box 880534 **T**

## HONEST

Kind, caring, loving man, slim, 44, 5ft11, dark hair/eyes, love walking, music, looking for black lady, for a LTR. Maidstone. Box 453980 **T**

## YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Rob from Kent, 43, likes all the good things in life, fishing and romantic walks, WLTM a woman of similar age for good times. Box 450988 **T**

## LONG-TERM THING

Fit and attractive, 52, 5ft7, slim and keeps fit, likes reading, poetry, cycling, tennis, WLTM female who's genuine to share this and more. Box 452534 **T**

## FIT THE BILL?

Fit attractive, 52, 5ft7, slim, average build, fair hair, likes watching football, driving, holidays and romance! looking for a female who's genuine to share this and more. Box 452505 **T**

## READY OR NOT

56yr old genuine, slim Scorpio male, 5ft8", dark hair, like watching tv, computer games, animals, walks, socialising, seeking attractive female for friendship/more. Box 453677 **T**

## YOUNG AT HEART

Good-looking, easygoing, 50, 5ft6, slim, non-smoker, likes watching tv, computer games, animals, walks, socialising, seeking a good old soul mate for a good old soul mate. Box 453758 **T**

## YOUNG AT HEART

56yr old genuine, 55, 5ft6, slim, average build, likes watching tv, computer games, animals, walks, socialising, seeking a good old soul mate for a good old soul mate. Box 451505 **T**

## CATCH THE DAY

Divorced male, 47, interests: fishing, cinema, sport, long walks, countryside, eating out, looking for a special person to take out and share company. Box 450068 **T**

## ACTIVE LIKE ME?

## MOTORS NEWS



### Dealers offer an early sighting of Skoda Yeti

SKODA adds the completely new Yeti two and all-wheel-drive range to its line-up in September, but certain Kent dealers are offering sneak previews by using early production left-hand drive cars.

Sherlodge Garage of Gillingham plans a Yeti open day on July 30, while Adamsons of Deal is offering demonstration drives two days earlier on July 28.

The chunky looks are not just for show either; 4x4 Yetis have an off-road button to adjust the chassis and driving aids to boost grip and traction in tricky conditions.



### Banger deal is worth £4,000 off new Leon

SEAT dealers have unveiled a stunning scrappage package worth as much as £4,000 off the stylish VW Golf-based Leon family hatchback.

Dover dealer, Hollis Motors confirmed a price of under £10,000 for the 1.6 S Emocion special edition this week, for anyone part exchanging a car at least 10 years old that they are willing to send for scrap.

The deal comprises a £2,000 discount under the Government-sponsored scheme plus a further £2,000 donated by the VW-owned Spanish marque.



### Mini celebrate its big Five-Oh down at Bewl

BEWL Water, near Tunbridge Wells, aims to be a Mini mecca from July 31 to August 2 when the Southern Mini Owners' Club stages 'Golden Mini Days' – a celebration of 50 years of the motoring icon.

Attractions at the reservoir at Lamberhurst will include car displays, Minis on sale, workshop demos, races and wacky events such as 'Loudest Exhaust', trade stalls, music and lots of fun. Free camping is included in the admission. Go to [www.southernminidays.co.uk](http://www.southernminidays.co.uk) or [www.bewl.co.uk](http://www.bewl.co.uk).



**SMALL BUT PERFECTLY FORMED:** Kia's Soul is an urban crossover which can be customised and personalised to suit the buyer, an option which rivals that of the Mini and Fiat 500

# Kia's Soul wows drivers on more than just price

PRICE usually dominates any discussion about Kias.

Yet 'how much?' was not the first thing I was asked when driving the Korean marque's new Soul.

It helped that I was driving the eye-catching £14,995 top of the range Soul Burner 'Original' though, with its 'Quartz Black' paint complemented by roof rails, rear spoiler, red grille and door mirrors plus 18-inch black and chrome alloys. Oh, and there are dragon decals crawling across the car.

There's no respite inside: red highlights and dragon motif mats assault the eye while a 'soulful' sound system comes with 315-watt output, dash-top boombox and front door speakers that can light up or throb red to the beat.

All proof that Kia has found itself at last – the brand's name actually means 'to come out' in Korean – with this 'urban crossover' available with customisation and personalisation options to rival the Mini and Fiat 500 cult stars.

Brick-like styling is largely influenced by the SUV (sports utility vehicle) vogue of recent years, without the sheer bulk and waste of

## ROAD TEST

### KIA SOUL

■ BY STEVE LOADER

#### STAR QUALITY

##### Driving appeal



##### Image



##### Space



##### Value



##### Running costs



##### Reliability



##### Green rating



extra motive power to the rear end.

A high lift tailgate accesses a huge boot with deep underfloor storage; fold the rear seats and you can cram the car to its high roofline – Kia claims it will take two mountain bikes.

The Soul is a deceptively tidy drive too with good levels of grip and a sporty nature yet decent ride, all helped by a wide track and long wheelbase.

You get the 4x4 high driving position and image without the heaviness and wallowing on the corners.

Engine choice is a 1.6-litre petrol or diesel with 124 and 126bhp respectively. The latter is smoother with more low-down punch and should average at least 10mpg more than its petrol sister. The nose feels weightier and better planted when pressing on too.

However, the diesel option adds a grand to the price of whichever model you choose.

On the other hand, there is no need to be miserly with prices from £10,495 plus a five-year unlimited mileage warranty and generous standard kit. For that you get a capacious and funky family motor at a supermini price – though don't expect supermini economy with such pugnacious styling.



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# USED CAR ROUND-UP:

## OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

### FORD MONDEO



ONCE the UK's favourite car, its fall from favour reflects changing tastes rather than the Mondeo's ability. The car's greatest weakness has been the bonnet badge - something the current generation car tries to overcome with Germanic quality and detail. Nevertheless, the previous car was well-built, superb to drive and incredibly spacious. Apart from the best-selling hatchback there is a saloon and one of the roomiest and best-looking estates in the sector.

#### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

### FAMILY CARS

THIS sector used to dominate the UK car market, but sales have been eroded by new categories such as the 4x4 sports utility vehicle and MPV and encroachment by upmarket compact executive models like the BMW 3-Series, which outsells Ford's former UK market leader, the Mondeo, in some months. Nevertheless, many second-hand car buyers still like the idea of a spacious, comfortable and more conventional family runabout and prices can be very affordable, so here are three popular and contrasting sellers based on ability and value.

### CITROEN C5



CITROEN'S latest C5 is a stunner inside and out and lives up to ads suggesting that 'the Germans' may be worried. The old car was less of a threat, but never mind the looks - look at the prices. The original C5 has actually proved to be a reliable and great value used buy, with a pliant ride and loads of space; the estate is enormous for anyone needing to cart lots of stuff and diesels are the star buy.

#### STAR QUALITY

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## CRICKET

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## Kent Cricket League Division One

Ashford Town 1st XI v Folkestone 1st XI

A LACK of urgency with the bat cost Ashford Town the chance of victory as they slipped to a four wicket defeat to Folkestone.

The hosts began well at Stacians Park with openers Matthew Lincoln (53) and Liam Tegg (41) hitting runs early on. The pair were only stopped by a run out and the bowling of Matthew James.

Ashford's top order continued to bat well and they piled on the runs thanks to an impressive knock from Shannon Fattore (77). Stuart Paine chipped in with 42 to add to the total.

Ashford's only problem was a relative lack of urgency despite holding several wickets in hand. The middle order and tail failed to add to the total, leaving Ashford on 233 for 5 after their allotted 50 overs.

Folkestone similarly enjoyed batting and Ashok Kadam played a key part in the innings. He hit an unbeaten 78 and proved to be a thorn in the side for Ashford's bowlers.

Craig Buckham and Mohsin Raza claimed two wickets each, but Folkestone's batsmen held firm. The visitors hit the winning runs with one over remaining.

Ashford will hope to bounce back from defeat with a trip to leaders Lordswood this Saturday.

# Batters fail to make use of good start in Ashford loss



URGENCY: Ashford Town lacked the urgency with the bat to punish Folkestone as they went on to lose by four wickets at the weekend

## SCOREBOARD

## Ashford Town

	Runs
Matthew Lincoln ct Graham b James	53
Liam Tegg run out	41
Shannon Fattore b James	77
Stuart Paine ct Clark b Kadam	42
Gary Sutton b Bray	5
Peter Shields not out	5
Craig Buckham not out	3
Andrew Maurice did not bat	
Gavin Hope did not bat	
James Rand did not bat	
Mohsin Raza did not bat	
Extras (2b 2lb 3nb)	7
Total (5 wickets, 50 overs)	233
Bowlers	
0 M R W	
Michael James 15 1 69 2	
Ashok Kadam 11 1 40 1	
Andy Bray 10 0 48 1	
David Miles 5 0 29 0	
Thomas Cullen 9 0 43 0	

## Folkestone

Runs	
David Miles lbw b Buckham	47
Nick Graham ct Rand b Raza	28
Ashok Kadam not out	78
Daniel Clark lbw b Tegg	0
Ali Bray ct Buckham b Buckham	46
Andy Bray b Raza	21
Thomas Cullen run out	1
Stuart Graham not out	7
Michael James did not bat	
Laurence Ward did not bat	
Luke Sago did not bat	
Extras (2b 4lb 1w)	7
Total (6 wickets, 49 overs)	235

## Bowlers

0 M R W
Andrew Maurice 6 0 30 0
Mohsin Raza 9 0 43 2
Liam Tegg 15 0 60 1
Craig Buckham 14 2 66 2
James Rand 2 1 4 0
Peter Shields 1 0 16 0
Matthew Lincoln 2 0 10 0

## LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

## KENT LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Whitstable 1st XI v Tenterden 1st XI

FOR the second time in four weeks Whitstable finished with a rare tie as they shared the points with Tenterden.

Sam Denly top scored with 74 but none of his team-mates passed 20 as Whitstable had to settle for what looked like a slightly below par 197 for 9.

Tenterden began well enough but at 133 for 7 looked to be staring at defeat. Number eight Tyler Griffin then hit three sixes on his way to 37, but was caught off the final ball in a thrilling finale.

## Whitstable

	Runs
Max Campbell	18
Tom Richardson	8
Sam Denly	74
Jake Guinan	2
Stuart Sinclair	19
James Loader	15
Byron Gould	15
Ben Trott	1
Duncan Hardy	9
Josh Gould	9
Jason Logan	2
Extras	(4b 6lb 11w 4nb)
Total	(9 wickets, 50 overs)

	0	M	R	W
Timir Chanda	15	5	36	3
Bon Daking	9	1	41	1
Tyler Griffin	10	1	42	2
Mark Baker	12	2	28	2
Simon Bessant	4	0	40	0

## Tenterden

	Runs
Andrew Crawford	21
Tim Curteis	39
Christopher Vernon	32
Ben Price	2
Timir Chanda	1
Bon Daking	21
Daniel McDonald	12
Tyler Griffin	37
Simon Bessant	16
Nick Hall	8
Mark Baker	not out
Extras	(3b 2lb 3w)
Total	(9 wickets, 50 overs)

	0	M	R	W
Ben Trott	11	2	44	2
Jason Logan	7	2	28	0
James Loader	11	1	49	2
Duncan Hardy	14	1	48	2
Josh Gould	7	1	23	3

## KENT LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR

Ashford Town 3rd XI v Old Elthamians 1st XI

BATTING again let Ashford 3rds down as their impending relegation drew nearer as they lost to Old Elthamians by 80 runs for their 11th straight defeat.

James Watson (4 for 58) and Alex Watson (3 for 58) helped bowl the visitors out for 240, although Ashford were frustrated by a tenth wicket partnership worth 41.

Ashford's batting has been their Achilles heel this season and so it proved again. Alex Watson and Thomas Bailey both hit 40 but little support elsewhere proved costly.

## Old Elthamians

	Runs
Rob Kennedy	18
Charlie Matthews	5
Dylan De Beer	23
Edward Thorogood	79
James Pearce	11
Calum Nash	0
Andrew Hammond	25
Blaine Carey	10
Amman Samsoodeen	5
Jack Green	30
Richard Pearce	20
Extras	(8b 3lb 3nb)
Total	(all out, 49.3 overs)

	0	M	R	W
Luca Sardo	9	1	35	1
Alex Watson	14	3	58	3
Thomas Bailey	5	0	24	0
Darren Cooper	11	3	54	2
James Watson	10.3	1	58	4

## Ashford Town

	Runs
Jason Boult	2
Dean Clark	15
Joseph Jolley	13
James Watson	0
Alex Watson	40
Darren Cooper	8
Luca Sardo	27
Thomas Bailey	40
Rory Macleod	40
James Crannis	1
Arthur Mynott	5
James Crannis	0
Extras	(5b 2lb 2w)
Total	(all out, 40.2 overs)

	0	M	R	W
John Wickham	10	4	22	3
Chris Smith	12	5	17	1
Connor Summers	6	3	14	0
Clive Thurgate	5	2	9	0
Andy Chapman	4	0	8	0
Ben Thurgate	3.1	0	13	2

## KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1A

Wye 1st XI v Sandwich Town 3rd XI

WYE gave their survival hopes a significant boost as they beat Sandwich Town 3rds by four wickets in a low scoring game.

Edward Hoyle set the tone by removing Sandwich's top three batsmen cheaply on his way to returning figures of 3 for 11 from ten overs. Keith Secrett also took three scalps, while Stuart Wise took 4 for 26 as Sandwich collapsed to 93 all out.

Wye inched towards their lowly target at just over two runs an over, with Nick Brooke's 33 set them up for a pre-crisis victory.

## Sandwich Town

	Runs
Paul Goatham	4
Chris Jarvis	11
Daniel Burgess	5
Clive Thurgate	26
Christopher Henry	5
Andy Chapman	7
Connor Summers	13
Liam Martin	5
Chris Smith	4
Ben Thurgate	3
John Wickham	0
Extras	(5b 1lb 4w)
Total	(all out, 39.5 overs)

	0	M	R	W
Edward Hoyle	10	6	11	3
Wayne Edlin	8	2	17	0
Stuart Wise	11.5	4	26	4
Keith Secrett	10	3	32	3

	Runs
Daniel Noden	4
Nick Brooke	33
Giles Starley	2
Raj Mahadevaiah	25
Nick Eve	13
Stuart Wise	4
Matt Barlow	0
Ben Houston	not out
Wayne Edlin	not out
Edward Hoyle	not out
Keith Secrett	not out
Extras	(10b 3lb 1w)
Total	(6 wickets, 40.1 overs)

	0	M	R	W
John Wickham	10	4	22	3
Chris Smith	12	5	17	1
Connor Summers	6	3	14	0
Clive Thurgate	5	2	9	0
Andy Chapman	4	0	8	0
Ben Thurgate	3.1	0	13	2

## KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1E

Nelson 1st XI v Kennington 1st XI

NELSON remain top of their division after a 47-run win against challengers Kennington.

Amit (64) and Kartik Bhudia (48) shared an 88-run partnership to help Nelson on their way to a respectable 260 for 7 from 46 overs. James Bridgland (46) then got the Nelson innings off to a good start and was helped along the way by Zeeshan Sheikh (47).

A devastating spell of 6 for 39 from Duncan Cotton then tore the Kennington reply to shreds as the Ashford-based side ended on 213 for 9.

## Nelson

	Runs
James Bridgland	46
Alex Bridgland	9
Zeeshan Sheikh	47
Amit Bhudia	64
Kartik Bhudia	48
David Walton	5
Stuart Fassam	20
Adam Taylor	12
Mark Cowper	not out
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# Camier steers closer towards British title

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EVENTFUL: Leon Camier tasted victory at a wet Mallory Park

LEON Camier inched closer to the British Superbike title with his 11th win of the season at Mallory Park on Sunday.

The 22-year-old, from Ashford, took the chequered flag in one of the races and finished second in the other as his Airwaves Ducati team claimed a double one-two. The results kept Camier 75 points clear of teammate James Ellison in the championship and on course for the biggest title of his fledgling career.

Both races were very eventful for the talented rider. The pole sitter was forced on to the grass to avoid an accident at the first corner in race one and fell all the way down to 23rd place. Not for the first time this season Camier showed off his overtaking skills, scything through the field up to eighth place, just behind Ellison.

## SUPERBIKES

The race ended early with a red flag in bizarre circumstances seven laps from the finish after an accident saw the first six riders all crash out. With more than two-thirds of the distance covered, Ellison and Camier were elevated to the top two steps on the podium.

Camier said: "I feel really sorry for the guys that were involved but of course another one-two for Airwaves Yamaha is a great result for us."

Heavy rain brought out the second red flag of the day in race two, with Camier out in front in his first experience of riding the Ducati in the wet. As only 17 laps had been raced, the riders were only awarded half points.

The next round is at Brands Hatch on August 7.



LAST CHANCE: Lisa Dobriskey has one chance to earn her place in the World Athletics Championships this weekend

## Dobriskey focuses on strong London Grand Prix display

LISA Dobriskey's World Athletics Championship selection hopes rest on a strong performance at the London Grand Prix this weekend.

The Ashford 1500m runner, who finished fourth in the Beijing Olympics last year, was forced to pull out of the all-important World Trials at Birmingham earlier this month due to a thigh injury.

The 25-year-old picked up the stress injury to her leg in May and has struggled to recover. After assessing the injury, coach George Gandy and Dobriskey decided to withdraw from the trials.

With the Great Britain squad announced after this weekend's London Grand Prix, Dobriskey's fate will be in the hands of the team selectors.

Gandy admitted it would be a gamble for Dobriskey to compete in London, but one that could pay dividends.

He said: "When you are recovering from an injury like Lisa's you need as much preparation time as possible for events. Gearing up for the London Grand Prix, Lisa will have a lot more track sessions under her belt, which can only be a good thing and there will be less risk of making the injury worse."

Her recovery has gone from strength to strength and last week Dobriskey returned to the track to compete in a 1500m event at Lucerne in Switzerland. She won the event with a time of four minutes and eight seconds, which would have been good enough to win the World Trials two weeks ago.

Gandy believes as many as two 1500m places could be undecided at the event, which could aid Dobriskey as long as she performs well at the event. However, Charlene Thomas, Stephanie Twell and Hannah England, who finished in the top three at the trials in Birmingham, will give Dobriskey strong competition.



OLD GUARD: Mitchell Sherwood (right) was one of just three players from last season's squad who featured in Ashford Town's first pre-season friendly on the weekend

# Chalmers-Stevens is top of Lovell's transfer list

## FOOTBALL

■ BY TOM HOWARD

GOALKEEPER Scott Chalmers-Stevens is at the top of Steve Lovell's transfer wish list after impressing during Ashford Town's pre-season win at Tunbridge Wells on Saturday.

Former Margate goalkeeper Chalmers-Stevens started the game at Tunbridge Wells

in an Ashford team made up of trialists, youngsters and just three of last season's squad. Only Mitchell Sherwood, Danny Lye and Darren Ibrahim played while Paul Jones, Mark Lovell, Ryan Briggs and Tony Browne were unavailable.

Chalmers-Stevens had very little to do in the 1-0 win, but Lovell admitted he has seen enough for him to earn a spot in this season's squad.

He said: "Scott is a great player and he should be signing for us this season. We have known about him for a long time and will be a great acquisition to the squad."

A number of trialists including former MK Dons youth midfielder Ross Morley and Erith & Belvedere striker Nick Smith caught

Lovell's eye and will have another chance to impress. Substitute Lawrence Harvey scored the only goal in the game.

Although his side has a long way to go before they are ready for the start of the season, Lovell was happy with Saturday's outcome.

He said: "Considering it was a new side and the first time some of the players had met, we did very well. It was a worthwhile exercise and some of the players were very impressive. We have still got a month to go before the start of the season, which is plenty of time to get the squad fit and ready to go."

Ashford will face a stronger test for their next pre-season challenge with a game against Ryman Premier side Maidstone United at The Homelands on Thursday.

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## Enjoy your barbecue in safety

WHAT better way to enjoy a balmy evening than some healthy barbecue food with friends?

Just don't become one of the 965 cases of people in east Kent turned up at accident and emergency with food poisoning last year – that doesn't include those who suffered nasty fire-related injuries either!

When you're cooking on a barbecue, make sure you:

19. Place your barbecue on a level surface, away from plants and trees.
20. Cover the bottom of your barbecue with coal to a depth of no more than 5cm (2in).
21. Use only recognised firelighters or starter fuel, and then only on cold coals.
22. Wait until coals are glowing red with a powdery grey surface before you start cooking.
23. Wash your hands every time you touch raw meat and keep it separate from other foods.
24. Properly thaw frozen meat before you cook it.
25. Turn meat regularly and move it around the barbecue to cook it evenly.
26. Remember that meat is safe to eat only when it is piping hot in the centre, there is no pink meat visible and the juices are clear.
27. Keep prepared food in the fridge wherever possible and don't leave it out in the sun.

## Avoid bringing back the worst kind of souvenir

A sexually transmitted infection (STI) or unintended pregnancy can be the worst kind of souvenir to bring home. Last year, more than 2,500 sexually transmitted infections were diagnosed in east Kent genitourinary medicine clinics.

28. Always buy a pack of condoms in addition to your normal contraception.
29. Vomiting, diarrhoea, and some medicines, including some antibiotics and some anti-malaria drugs can make the contraceptive pill and some contraceptive implants less effective so always use a condom to help protect against pregnancy and STIs.
30. Only buy condoms with the CE mark on the packet.
31. Keep condoms away from oil-based products such as suntan lotion, baby oil and lipstick.
32. Store condoms in a cool, dry place.

\* For more help and advice on safer sex, visit your pharmacist, call Sexual Health Direct on **0845 122 8690** or go to [www.condomessentialwear.co.uk](http://www.condomessentialwear.co.uk)

## A real stinger

For most people, stings and bites from insects are painful but harmless. However, if you also experience symptoms anywhere else you may be having an allergic reaction and should seek emergency medical treatment.

33. Remove the sting as soon as possible with your fingers or tweezers.
34. Bee stings have a poisonous sac so take care not to puncture it as you remove the sting.
35. Wash the area with soap and water.
36. Put a cold flannel on the area.
37. Raise the part of the body that has been stung or bitten to prevent swelling.
38. Use a spray, or cream, containing local anaesthetic or antihistamine on the affected area to help prevent itching and swelling.
39. Take painkillers, such as paracetamol (if the sting or bite is very painful).
40. Don't scratch the area, as it may become infected.
41. Consult your GP if redness and itching does not clear up after 48 hours.

## Have fun outdoors in safety

Summer is a great time for children to get out and experience the world around them. You do need to be aware of safety issues, but this isn't a reason to stop children enjoying activities.

42. Nominate a responsible adult to supervise the children at parties and barbecues.
43. Make sure one adult stays sober to supervise the children.
44. Ask hosts to place medicines and cleaning products out of sight and out of reach.
45. Check the garden regularly for potential hazards, such as tools, ponds or water butts.
46. If children are around barbecues, watch that they don't get too close to hot surfaces.
47. Protect your child from the sun.
48. Be safe around water with your child.
49. Consider taking a first aid course.
50. Follow all these simple steps and you be guaranteed a fun and action-packed summer in the sun.

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call NHS Direct on **0845 46 47** or go to [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)

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